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JIAS getting ready for Soviet influx

By
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MONTREAL —

Jewish Immigrant Aid Services is preparing for the largest influx of Soviet Jews to Canada since the 1980-81 period, says the agency's executive director Herb Abrams.

There are currently 100 Soviet Jews in Rome who are awaiting immigration to Canada on the caseload of JIAS, Abrams told The Canadian Jewish News.

He expects another 200 Soviet Jews to apply to come to Canada this year, as indications point to a more relaxed emigration policy in the Soviet Union.

All of the 100 individuals in Rome wish to be reunited with family members living in Canada, Abrams said. They left the Soviet Union, via Vienna, beginning in mid-March and can expect to spend at least six to eight months in Rome before they pass security clearance by Canadian authorities, Abrams said. Only about 15 Soviet Jews arrived in Canada thus far in 1987.

JIAS helped resettle about 40 Soviet Jewish immigrants in Canada in 1986, said Abrams, adding that not every Soviet seeks JIAS' assistance, so a definite figure is not available.

Most of those immigrants went to the Toronto area, but this year's larger group is destined for Vancouver, Edmonton, Winnipeg and Montreal, as well as Toronto. It is estimated that 12,000 Soviet Jews have immigrated to Canada over the past two decades.

While in Rome, the Soviet Jews have their basic needs taken care of by the Hebrew Immigrant Aid Society and the American Joint Distribution Committee, said Abrams, but JIAS is their sponsor in Canada. None among the group is receiving Canadian government sponsorship, Abrams noted.

These Soviets could not enter Canada without JIAS sponsorship because their families are not in a financial position to sponsor them, Abrams said.

JIAS must guarantee to underwrite the cost of maintaining the immigrants for one year after their arrival in Canada and for three years in the case of those over the age of 65, he said.

JIAS is bracing for the higher costs ahead, and will be asking the Canadian government to assist in the sponsorship of the increased numbers of Soviets

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Start of "entrenchment" in Israel

Reform to get $1.64 million

By
EDWIN BLACK

JERUSALEM —

Citing "pressure and threats," the Jewish Agency has voted a $1.64 million allocation to Israel's Reform movement, says Agency treasurer Akiva Levinsky. "What they (the Reform) did, should never have been done," complains Levinsky. "They pressured and threatened us on the (United Jewish) Appeal."

Levinsky was referring to the recent campaign by Reform leader Rabbi Alexander Schindler to force the Jewish Agency to begin funding Reform institutions or face a partial fund raising boycott. "Instead of presenting real programs," says Levinsky, "they tried the simple way. But you do not steamroll over anyone here."

Nonetheless, the Reform movement, whose North American members supply a hefty percentage of Agency contributions, eventually extracted a firm promise of funding. Out of $22 million in Reform requests, $1.64 million was approved this year and more is expected in subsequent years.

The Agency's first ever major funding for Reform will finance a variety of programs designed "to expand the movement in Israel," explains Meir Azari, executive director of the Israel Movement for Progressive Judaism — the Reform organization here. "More than money," says Azari, "it is the beginning of the Reform movement's entrenchment in Israeli society."

Six major activities will be funded, each calculated to increase the Progressive movement's numbers and legitimacy in Israel, as well as help purvey their notions of Jewish pluralism and democratic values. Twenty percent of the money has already been received, the remainder to be allocated out over the year.

Youth aliya programs will receive $280,000. Young adult aliya will receive $129,000. An innovative "Israel experience" for the children of the "unaffiliated Jews," and a youth hostel program are fetching $406,000. Capital earmarked for a new youth hostel totals $225,000.

An additional $181,000 has been set aside for Hebrew Union College seminars and lectures in Israel. This item, listed in the still secret Agency budget under "socio-economic programs," will bring American HUC professionals to Israel to explain Reform concepts to the general public.

However, the most controversial funding in the package is $406,000 listed under two "Other Programs." Most significant is the newly created Institute for Jewish-Zionist Democratic Values.

"For the first time we will be able to talk to children of the Israeli experience, and try to explain pluralism," explains Azari.

"We want them to know that there is another Jewish life outside of Israel." The Institute will also hire a staff to translate into Hebrew a gamut of English language articles about democracy and pluralism for the Israeli public.

Equally important under the budget listing "Other Programs" is "Communi-

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Small donors get break in tax reform proposals

By
PAUL LUNGEN

TORONTO —

Proposals tabled by Finance Minister Michael Wilson in his White Paper on tax reform will make it more attractive for small donors to give to charities, according to a Toronto tax accountant.

Syd Mamott, a tax partner at Laventhol & Horwath, told The CJN Wilson's proposals to convert tax deductions to credits apply also to charitable gifts. Credits are more equitable because "the rich and poor get the same benefit," Mamott said.

Beginning for the 1988 tax year, a 2-tier tax credit regime will be in place. A 17% federal tax credit for the first $250 donated will be granted and 29% for the amount in excess of that to a maximum of 20% of net income.

As an example, someone earning $100,000 in net income can donate a maximum of $20,000. Someone donating $10,000 to charity would calculate 17% of the first $250 and 29% of the next $9,750. That amount would be a credit and could be subtracted from taxes payable. Higher and lower income earners will be able to reduce their taxes by the same amount if they donate the same amount.

Under current tax rules, that $10,000 given to charity would be deducted from taxable income and would benefit the wealthy more than lower income earners.

Wilson's proposed changes won't really affect the larger donations, Mamott speculated. But it could prompt "an increase in the number of small donations."

NEW BB PRESIDENT

Harry Bick, (left) outgoing president of B'nai B'rith Canada, congratulates Ralph Snow who assumes the presidency. See story on page 4.

Holiday deadline

Due to the Canada Day holiday, Wednesday, July 1, when our office will be closed, editorial deadline for the July 9 issue is Friday 5 p.m., June 26. Until the postal dispute is settled we suggest you bring material to our office, 10 Gateway Blvd., Don Mills. Your cooperation will be appreciated.

Israel Communists will visit Peking

JERUSALEM (JPFS) —

A 2-man official delegation of the Israel Communist Party is due to fly to Peking this week for a 10-day visit at the invitation of the Chinese Communist Party.

A foreign ministry source said that the Chinese invitation gives rise to "a little optimism" on the future of Chinese-Israeli relations, and is one of a number of "other small signs" of improvement.

The two delegates are Knesset Member Meir Wilner, general-secretary of the Israel Communist Party (ICP), and George Toubi, the ICP's foreign relations director (and brother of MK Tawfik Toubi).

Peking will finance the trip.

The invitation followed several months of formal and informal contacts between the two parties, and brings to an end a 25-year freeze in relations. Toubi last visited China in 1961, and Wilner, in 1956.

Wilner said that he views himself as "representing the interests of the Israeli people," even though he is not an official representative.

Regarding an official resumption of diplomatic relations with China, Wilner said that "everything depends on Israel and on a fundamental change in its peace policies. Wilner said that then-Chinese premier Chou En-Lai had already told him in 1956 that China was willing to establish relations with Israel, but that its policies made such a step impossible. "It's still the same," Wilner said.

ICP spokesman Uzi Burstein said that the invitation was made in the context of Chinese attempts to improve relations with Communist parties worldwide. It also derives from Chinese involvement in convening an international peace conference, Burstein said.

GIFT FOR TEL AVIV MUSEUM

Mayor Shlomo Lahat of Tel Aviv (left) with Mr. and Mrs. Edward Richmond, of London, Ont., who have bequeathed their Andy Warhol tapestry (seen in background) to the Tel Aviv museum. For more news of Lahat's visit to Canada see page 3. [Ross Breadner photo]

Tourist visits up

JERUSALEM (JPFS) —

Over 124,000 tourists visited Israel in May, which was 35% higher than the figure for May 1986, the tourism ministry has announced.

Close to 695,000 tourists visited the country in the first five months of 1987, which was 27% above the figure for the similar period last year.

World-National

Immigrants are the key to our future

By
RABBI W. GUNTHER PLAUT

On June 18 Rabbi Plaut was awarded an honorary Doctor of Laws from York University, after having received the same honor from the University of Toronto some years earlier. The following is an excerpt from his convocation address.

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It seems platitudinous to say that "we are fortunate to live in Canada." Though this may be a truism it does not cease to be true just because it has been over-used. It **is** a privilege to live here. Why? Because Canada is a democracy? To be sure, that **is** a privilege and a rare one. Among the 150-odd members in the United Nations only some 28-30 can be classified as true democracies. But there is more to Canada than its political system.

Rabbi Plaut

Is it because we have unique natural resources, because we belong to the "have" nations? Yes, also because of that.

However, to me its chief attraction lies in the **people of Canada,** in the rich fabric of its society: We are English and French in our basic structure, and since Confederation have become a land of a hundred tongues and cultures and dozens of religious traditions. This gives a special tone and texture to life in Canada. We are not a melting pot on the American model: we are committed to keeping our multilingual and multicultural traditions alive and vibrant. With the exception of our Native peoples, we are a land of relatively recent immigrants and refugees.

Nativism

It pains me to say that there are citizens in this land who would like to obscure that fact, for whom the very words "immigrants and refugees" conjure up fears that Canada is losing its identity, that so-called foreigners are taking our jobs away and that our values will be radically altered in the process. "Keep them out," they demand. "Let refugees stay where they are, and since we can't take all of them anyway we'll contribute to the economy of their countries to make life better for them."

Such words seem to convey generosity and concern, but they really say: "Leave us alone."

These exclusive sentiments are not new and neither are they unique. Historians describe them by the term "nativism," which is a special brand of xenophobia. Unfortunately our federal government has chosen to latch on to these negative sentiments instead of combating them, and has introduced legislation which will severely restrict access to our refugee system.

Real facts

I believe Canadians would not wish to follow this dubious lead if they knew the real facts:

- That immigrants and refugees do not decrease employment. On the contrary, they increase it;
- That in the history of Canada immigrants and refugees have given no indication of altering the basic nature of Canada. On the contrary, they have enthusiastically embraced it; they have not debased its value system, on the contrary, they have enriched it. I remember Toronto as it was when we came here in 1961: a dull town, looked down upon by sophisticated Montrealers. Look at us now: a fascinating city enriched by people from a hundred lands, a city called by the New York Times "the last livable metropolis on the face of the earth."

And you, the new graduates . . . what is your role in all of this? We need you to grasp the true nature and real potential of this land. We need you to see **Canada's greatness in its people,** not in the goods it makes or consumes; and we need you to help others look with understanding rather than with fear at those who knock at our doors . . .

So go out then and make this country greater by your very diversity. If you do, all of us will be your beneficiaries and will bless you. Bonne chance, congratulations, and may our common fate be a good and worthy one.

Separation of church and state

Menorah issue could air conflict

NEW YORK (JTA) — American Jews who seek the removal of menorahs from display on public land must strike a careful balance between litigation and the discomfort of airing intra-Jewish conflict, an American Jewish Congress report recommends.

The report, "The Year of the Menorah" by staff attorney Marc Stern, said the issue has been intensified by the growing campaign of the Lubavitch movement to place the menorahs on government land across the country. Lubavitch claims dozens of successes.

He wrote that the growing legal challenges to the campaign by AJCongress and others, as well as a series of behind-the-scenes discussions and correspondence with Lubavitch, can be supplemented by the visible placement by the Jewish community of menorahs on private land.

The American Jewish community overwhelmingly continues to support the principle of church-state separation, the AJCongress study notes. But it points out that in light of the Supreme Court's 1984 opinion in the case of Lynch V. Donnelly, permitting displays of municipal creches, or nativity scenes, a small but growing number of Jews are reconciling themselves to the fact of religious symbols on public land, provided the policy applies to Jewish as well as Christian symbols.

Creche erection allowed

The Lynch ruling, which allowed the erection of a creche on public property if it is part of a larger holiday season display, has provided momentum for the Lubavitch group's effort to erect Chanukah menorahs on government land, a campaign that spread from a few large cities to many, if not most, cities in which the Lubavitch movement has offices, including Seattle; Phoenix; Santa Ana, Calif.; St. Louis; Providence, RI; Grand Rapids, and Lansing, Mich., Cleveland; Austin, Texas; Houston; Pittsburgh; Springfield, Mass.; Kansas City; Madison, Wis., and Milwaukee. The Lubavitch project, however, has since received the tacit, if not active, support of some other Jews who see the public display of menorahs to counterbalance the impact of Christmas displays on Jewish children.

Before the explicit sanction of the High Court for religious displays on public property in Lynch, opposition to such displays was a dominant and virtually unquestioned principle throughout the Jewish community, the report says, making it "unthinkable" to erect menorahs on public property. It was principally the Lubavitch movement that refused to accept this "consensus." But the report also noted that Jewish organizations have never challenged the placement of Christmas trees, wreaths and lights on public property because such symbols often have non-religious origins and associations.

Significantly, many local Jewish community relations organizations and leaders, while opposed to the public placement of menorahs because it weakens the case for church-state separation, nevertheless have refrained from taking legal action against menorah displays. They fear a public dispute with the Lubavitch sect and do not want to antagonize the growing non-Lubavitch segment that now supports the Lubavitch policy, according to the study.

Against these displays

However, some Jewish communal organizations, including those in St. Louis, Cleveland and Springfield, Mass., have sought to seize the spotlight from Lubavitch menorahs on public property by erecting their own menorahs on private land, such as the grounds of the local Jewish community centre.

The report contends, however, that Jewish groups must act against such displays. "The implementation of the principle of church-state separation is of cardinal importance to the Jewish community," it says.

The siting of menorahs on public land clears the way for even more extensive placement of Christian religious symbols on government property, says the report.

The study calls for carefully planned and evenhanded approaches to litigation, with consideration given equally to cases involving creches and those involving menorahs. It warns that it is not incumbent on the Jewish community to more readily rush into litigation against menorahs than creches.

Legal efforts to exclude religious symbols, including menorahs, from public land must be supplemented by "positive" efforts to strengthen Jewish identity during the Christmas season, it says. Such a program should include the display of menorahs on private property as well as cultural and religious events, preferably in cooperation with synagogues and other Jewish religious and cultural institutions.

Aliya rises 35%: Tsur

JERUSALEM (JPFS) — Aliya in the first five months of 1987 was up 35% over the same period in 1986, with most of the increase coming from the Soviet Union, South Africa and countries that must remain nameless, Immigrant Absorption Minister Ya'acov Tsur said last week.

Addressing a press conference in Jerusalem, Tsur noted that more than 2,300 Jews left the Soviet Union between Jan. 1 and May 31, the breakdown being as follows: January, 98; February, 146; March, 470; April, 717; and May, 879. But a decline is indicated for June, since only 230 emigrated in the first 10 days of the month, he pointed out.

"About 25% of them came to Israel, and that's a lot!" Tsur said. The recent emigres were mainly hard-core Refuseniks, whose attachment to Israel is exceptionally strong. But as the proportion of Refuseniks declines, a lower percentage is expected to opt for Israel.

Meanwhile Tsur revealed that Israel is negotiating with Ethiopia, via other states, about allowing Jews to leave the African country.

Tsur told the Israel Radio English transmission that Israel hopes to persuade Ethiopia to allow Ethiopian Jews to join their families in Israel.

Media's conduct could be biggest scandal of them all

By
RICHARD COHEN

WASHINGTON — A story told on the diplomatic circuit involves a married French diplomat who had an affair in Moscow with a female KGB agent. One day, her dour boss appeared at the Frenchman's doorstep with the usual scandalous pictures — a prelude to a blackmail demand. The diplomat studied the photos for a moment then said, "I will take two of zees, three of zees and one of zees" — and with a nonchalant shrug closed the door.

Americans have no such blase attitude towards extramarital sex. Accusations of such shenanigans tumbled Gary Hart from his perch as the Democratic front-runner to just another guy peddling a book in New York. Now such a charge has been leveled by the Cleveland Plain Dealer against Ohio Gov. Richard Celeste. It said Celeste (married 25 years) had been "romantically linked" to three other women. The governor, a possible presidential candidate (who isn't), has said, in effect, that his alleged affairs are his own affair and will say nothing further.

Celeste is the second victim this spring of the press' new clean-up campaign. As if to show that it was not playing favorites with Hart, some reporters have quizzed other candidates about their private lives and the New York Times has sent presidential hopefuls questionnaires asking, among other things, their views on adultery. (None has yet taken a position in favor.)

In Washington, Jesse Jackson, possibly intent on talking about other matters, spent part of a press breakfast rebutting "rumors" that he, too, has had his innings. As behooves a presidential candidate and minister, he pronounced adultery immoral but then appended the thought with the statement that sexual and racial discrimination are also immoral. Yes, Jesse, but hardly as interesting.

Enough! In the first place, no public figure should be questioned publicly about rumors that he has had an affair. In this of all areas, the press ought to have the highest standards: You either have the facts or you don't. Asking a presidential candidate about rumors only spreads the rumors. This amounts to a kind of sexual McCarthyism — are you now, or have you ever had, an extramarital affair.

Merely to clam up, to cite personal privacy, turns the candidate into a Fifth Amendment philanderer. This is a sordid abuse of press power — demeaning to candidates such as Jackson and demeaning to the press as well.

But what if the press had the facts? Should it publish them? The answer is: It depends. In Hart's case, the story of his alleged infidelity with Donna Rice had a context. Hart had already been accused of flaky behavior, of inexplicably changing his age and lying about why he changed his name. He had twice separated from his wife, Lee, and there were suspicions that their reconciliation was a sham. In addition, he and Rice seem to have been photographed boarding the boat "Monkey Business" by every tourist in South Florida. Not since the Titanic has a maritime fiasco been as well-documented.

But having broken precedence with the Hart story, the press seems to have abandoned its germaneness rule altogether. Some journalists and newspapers no longer seem to hold that an indisputable connection must be made between the candidate's private life and his public one. Merely saying the public has a right to know is not enough. We have more than enough information now to suggest that such information is usually useless.

The presumed affair of Dwight D. Eisenhower gives us no reason either to reassess his generalship during World War II or his subsequent presidency. The same is true for Franklin D. Roosevelt or, even, John F. Kennedy — although his alleged escapade with the mob-linked Judith Exner raises questions of his judgment. As for the hapless and dull Warren Harding, the most interesting thing that can be said about his presidency is that he had an affair during it.

Revelations of an extra-marital affair are explosive. They can ruin an otherwise promising career and inflict great pain on the people involved. There are times when such news is germane, but they are rare. Maybe that assessment ought always be left to the reader, but because either space (in print) or time (in television) is limited, editors or producers make decisions for them.

Recently, some of them — either by the questions they ask or the stories they print — have abdicated their professional responsibility. That, in the end, may turn out to be the biggest scandal of all.

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Mayor Shlomo Lahat promotes foundation for city

Former general fights to keep Tel Aviv going

By
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Mayor Shlomo Lahat (left) presents replica of ancient vase from the Haaretz Museum to Murray and Marvelle Koffler, hosts of dinner which inaugurated the Canadian Committee for Tel Aviv Foundation. Murray Koffler is the founder of the Canadian committee. Announced at the dinner were a gift of $500,000 by an anonymous sponsor, sponsorship of a project in Tel Aviv by B'nai B'rith Canada, the bequest of a Warhol tapestry to the Tel Aviv Museum and gifts of nearly $200,000 by benefactors and founders.

TORONTO —

Eighteen years ago, as commander of Israeli forces in the Sinai, Shlomo (Chich) Lahat fought the Egyptians. Today, as mayor of Tel Aviv, he fights to keep his city on an even keel.

Back in 1969, when the War of Attrition raged daily along the Suez Canal, Lahat, a general, was responsible for preventing the Egyptian Army from breaking past the Bar-Lev Line and establishing a beachhead in Sinai.

The Egyptians inflicted stinging casualties on the Israelis, but they did not succeed in breaching the Bar-Lev Line until the Yom Kippur War, by which time Lahat had retired from the military.

Not long after the 1973 war, Lahat decided to run for the mayoralty of Tel Aviv, the world's biggest all-Jewish metropolis, and he won. Now, 13 years later, Lahat is firmly in the saddle, having won the last election with a huge majority.

Lahat's undisputed victory was generally acknowledged as a tribute to his sheer energy and his indubitable achievements.

Known for his workaholic ways, Lahat, 59, has brightened up Tel Aviv considerably since 1974, adding desperately needed green spaces to what in many respects is still a concrete jungle, attracting young couples to a once crumbling, neglected city core, building community centres and cultural facilities in deprived neighborhoods, and improving public transportation.

Brought to Palestine from Hitler's Germany at the age of 6, Lahat wears two hats in his effort to spruce up Israel's financial, economic, and cultural centre.

By 1977, Lahat began to realize that he could not accomplish all his goals in refurbishing Tel Aviv, particularly its poor areas, unless he turned to private benefactors. Knowing that the fiscally-strapped national government simply could not provide him with sufficient funds, and inspired by the example of Jerusalem mayor Teddy Kollek, Lahat created the Tel Aviv Foundation.

Chairman of the foundation since its inception, Lahat has been remarkably successful in raising money for his pet projects. "We've collected $52 million since 1977, and we will try to raise at least $10 million in 1987," he said in an interview before starting a recent 4-day visit to Toronto and environs.

Accompanied by his wife and fact-spouting assistant, Hanan Ben-Yehuda, Lahat made courtesy calls to two mayors — Mel Lastman of North York and Tom Gosnell of London, Ont.

He also visited the Ontario Science Centre and called on several well-endowed members of the Jewish community both in Toronto and in London.

A friendly, outgoing man, Lahat said he established the Tel Aviv Foundation for the same reason he ran for mayor: to make the city a better, more humane place for all its inhabitants.

"What will be done in Tel Aviv will set an example for the rest of the country," he said, explaining that a city's standard of education and culture sets much of its tone.

Israelis got the Tel Aviv Foundation going, since Lahat believes that "charity begins at home." But six years ago, potential donors abroad were solicited. Since then, the vast majority of funds have come from countries like the U.S., Canada, Britain and West Germany.

Canadian Committee for the Tel Aviv Foundation is chaired by Murray Koffler of Toronto. Gideon Saguy, the former Israeli consul-general here, is president. [(416) 967-9210.]

According to Lahat, the foundation has built 5 community centres, 6 day care centres, 5 kindergartens (some of which were renovated), 30 parks and pocket gardens (including the pleasant, well-planned park along Tel Aviv's seashore), 2 old age clubs, 3 synagogues, an open air theatre, an art museum, a conservatory and a dance centre.

"Now we're trying to do more of the same," he said. "It's a very human cause. People from abroad can participate in building a society in a city."

He added, "We haven't built a single white elephant. All the facilities are used to full capacity."

Approximately 100,000 people, or about one-third of Tel Aviv's total population, have benefited from these programs. Virtually all its recipients live under the poverty line, in variously depressed neighborhoods like Hadar Josef, Nevea Sharett and Jaffa.

Like the stereotypical Jewish mother who wants all her children to obtain university degrees, Lahat is a strong believer in the virtues of education. He is clearly proud that about a quarter of Tel Aviv's budget is earmarked for educational purposes, while some 15% is devoted to the furtherance of culture in all its dimensions.

Thanks to new zoning regulations that have gradually eased out non-residents, Lahat has begun the long overdue task of revitalizing the city centre, which in recent years had fallen into terrible decay. "Now there is an enormous demand by young people to live in the centre. They want to be near cultural facilities and good educational services."

Besides paving new roads and extending electricity lines throughout the city, Lahat has convinced the powers- that-be to place dilapidated Arab neighborhoods in Jaffa under the umbrella of Project Renewal. Lahat feels very strongly that Arabs should not be second-class citizens in the Jewish state.

In an 8-year, $50 million program, Lahat intends to turn Arab Jaffa around by paving new roads, building sewers, parks, a sport centre and a community centre, improving education, and renovating deteriorating homes.

It's a massive project that, Lahat thinks, will forge closer ties between Jews and Arabs.

As far as public transportation is concerned, Lahat points out that the first phase of a commuter line from outlying suburbs is being built. The project, which will be finished in three years, will go a long way toward easing traffic congestion in Tel Aviv.

It is Lahat's dream to build a subway in the city's most congested area, but it is an extremely expensive undertaking — $100 million per kilometre — and Lahat has therefore deferred it for the time being.

Tel Aviv is not without its problems, he acknowledged.

The rotting central bus station, which remains an eye sore on the urban landscape, is as overburdened as ever. Construction of the "new" station was stopped in mid-course in the early 1970s, when the builders ran out of money.

Lahat has tried, but failed, to convince private interests to complete it. Investors have failed to come forward because, they claim, it would not be profitable. Lahat begs to differ.

Sanitation standards are still not up to scratch. "Tel Aviv is not a dirty city, but many areas are not clean."

Lahat said he could enforce sanitation regulations if 300 more policemen were added to the force.

Drug-related crime is "a problem" in certain neighborhoods. The general crime rate has decreased, but the number of drug addicts has increased.

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Lahat seems disillusioned with politics on the national level. Last year, he joined the newly-formed Liberal Centre Party, only to see it collapse within several months.

The party, he said, was composed of a few idealists and far too many opportunists who hoped to take personal advantage of it.

"When I realized what was happening, I quit. It was much ado about nothing."

The Liberal Centre Party's economic platform emphasized free enterprise, improved worker productivity, a simplified tax structure and lower income tax rates.

In foreign policy, it was to the left of the Labor Party — favoring a decrease in defence expenditures by forging "better relations" with the Arab world.

The party, Lahat said, called for a near total withdrawal of Israeli forces from the Golan Heights and the West Bank in return for peace treaties with Syria and Jordan.

The evacuated territories, he noted, would be demilitarized.

The eastern half of Jerusalem would remain under Israeli sovereignty, Lahat said.

Lahat, who is for an international peace conference on the Middle East, argued that the Palestinian problem can be solved if the Palestinians establish a state in Jordan.

Israel should negotiate with PLO chieftain Yasser Arafat if he recognizes Israel. He expects Arafat to recognize Israel, but when he doesn't know.

And finally: How long does he want to stay on as mayor of Tel Aviv? Unhesitatingly, he said: "As long as I think I'm capable of doing the job."

End divisiveness, CJF urges

VANCOUVER —

It is time to end the "terrible divisiveness" that has been splitting communities worldwide and emphasize the traditional Jewish value system, says Shoshana Cardin, president of the Council of Jewish Federations.

"Plurality is one of the hallmarks of the Jewish tradition yet we are often brought together by consensus," Cardin told a conference of the Jewish federations of Western Canada.

"Ever since the first federation met in Boston in 1895 we have been providing services for the Jewish community," Cardin told delegates.

"Your federations are often the first point of contact for someone new to the community. Which is why it has to be inclusive, open to all and broadly accepting."

Cardin said that the key to the future for Jews in Israel and the Diaspora lies in human resource development.

"You can raise a lot of money but it doesn't mean a thing without the right leaders."

She said that no federation can afford to act independently and that the CJF is an interdependent organization.

"No one can afford to be a Jew in isolation. We must never lose our sense of awe, we are not the masters, but the designers of our destiny. We are the people of choice."

Jews of this generation should possess a sense of privilege, Cardin said, adding that "we have been witness to the State of Israel while choosing to remain in a strong Diaspora."

Israel's cost-of-living in May up only .06%

TEL AVIV (JTA) —

The cost-of-living index rose by only 0.6% in May, the Central Bureau of Statistics reported last week.

The Bank of Israel and the finance ministry expressed satisfaction with the small increase, attributed to a sharp seasonal decline in the price of fruits and vegetables.

Inflation since the beginning of the year has been at a rate of 7.5%, slightly higher than in 1986. It is currently running at an average rate of 1% a month.

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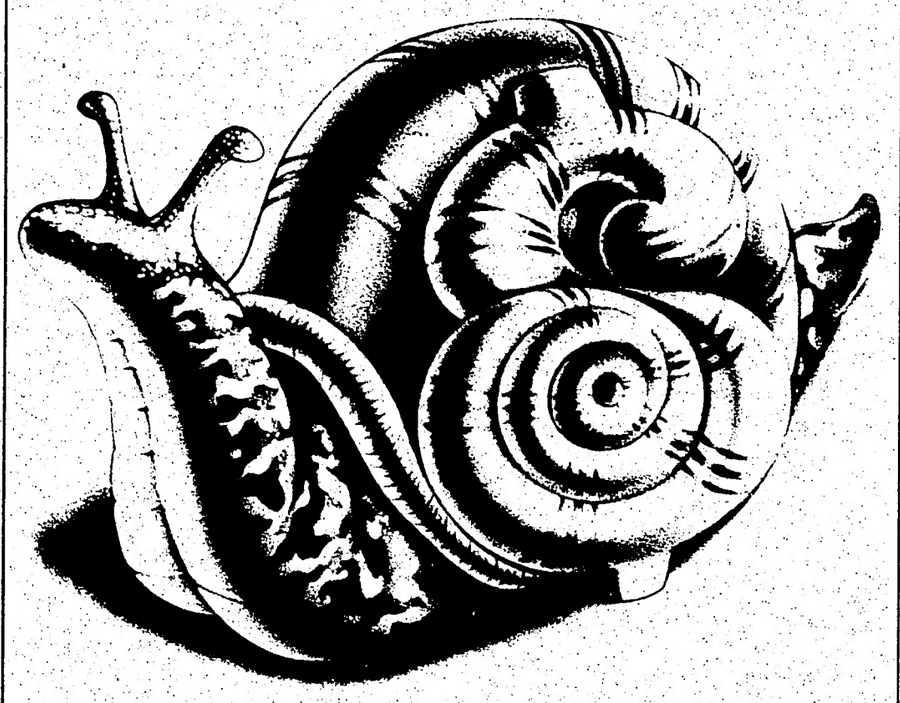

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Living Halacha

By
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QUESTION: If some one did me a favor a long time ago, how long am I indebted to him?

In politics it is understood that what you did a long time ago for somebody is of no value. The operative words are: what have you done for me lately? King Pharaoh's chief butler operated on that principle. "Yet did not the chief butler remember Joseph, but forgot him." (Genesis, 41:23). Many people who are not in politics have the same tendency.

Rabbi Burak

The problem is as old as our history. Some people cultivated good forgetteries. Our fathers had to be reminded, again and again, Who it was that brought them out of Egypt and into the land flowing with milk and honey.

But, men of quality have always understood that one is obligated to remember benefits received. The extent of that debt is best seen in a quotation often cited in yeshivas: "He who opens his door to a friend nafsho chayav lo, he owes him his life." I asked a number of people where this statement could be found, and they couldn't tell me.

So, let me tell you where this saying is given. It is in Midrash Rabbah, Exodus Chapter 4:3. Moses was being sent on his great mission to Egypt. Hashem told him to go there. Yet, he didn't go there right away. "And Moses went and returned to Jethro, his father-in-law, and said to him: 'Let me go, I pray thee, and return unto my brethren that are in Egypt.' "

Note the consideration of our Moshe. But, is it right to keep God waiting? The Almighty told him to go, and he accepted the mission. Yet he didn't go to Egypt, but returned instead to Jethro. Was that the right thing to do? You bet it was. Hashem does not want His servant to act like a boor.

It is in answer to this question that the Midrash makes its great point, claiming that Moshe said this to Hashem, that since Jethro had opened his door to him, he owed him his life. But, even in the confines of the yeshiva this is forgotten on occasion.

In a great American city, there is a yeshiva of stature whose beginnings were very humble. Two kollel scholars tried to establish a yeshiva there. But, there was no seed money available. There was no generous benefactor available to come up with a handsome donation to begin the work.

In that desperate hour, the men who had the dream came to a meeting of the rabbanim to plead for their cause. The meeting was stormy. There was considerable opposition. After an acrimonious debate, a key opponent arose and said: "I don't believe a yeshiva can be established here.

"But, lest it be thought that I am saying this because I don't want to give any money, here are two hundred dollars cash, right now." That was the turning point. Every rabbi gave to the cause. Now there was enough money to start the yeshiva. Afterwards, the yeshiva stationery carried the names of all the rabbis as founders. This writer's name was so listed.

As the years went by, some of the founding rabbis died and their names were removed from the list of founders. Other rabbis moved to other cities, and their names were removed from the list of the founders. When I moved back to Canada, my name was removed also; but I'm still a contributor.

What happened to that wonderful Midrash? Prosperity makes people forget a Midrash. But, it's more than a Midrash. It's a verse in the Bible, in Jeremiah 2:2: "I remember for thee the affection of thy youth, the love of thine espousals; How thou wentest after Me in the wilderness, In a land that was not sown."

How many centuries had passed from the days of the Exodus to the days of Jeremiah? Yet that love was remembered by the Almighty. God remembers.

Imitate Him.

Snow elected BB president at convention

KIAMESHA LAKE — Ralph Snow of Toronto was elected president of B'nai B'rith Canada at the recent 24th annual convention held here.

He succeeds Harry Bick of Montreal.

President-elect is Dr. Brian Feldman of Toronto.

Vice-presidents are: Michael Rosenberg and Frank A. Wilson, of Toronto; Marilyn Wainberg and Harvey Lancit, of Montreal; Moishe Smith of Ottawa; Dr. Bernie Vigod of Fredericton; David Matas of Winnipeg and Jack Feingold of Calgary.

Members-at-large are: Eleanor London and David Lerner, of Toronto; Norman Small and Abe Bell, of Montreal; David Abraham of Windsor; Sid Rothman of Ottawa; Steve Zatzman of Halifax; Lyle Smorden of Winnipeg; Al Goorevitch of Edmonton and David Walman of Hamilton.

Delegates passed a resolution commending the Ontario government for its decision to retry Ernst Zundel and called upon Attorney-General Ian Scott to prosecute him "vigorously on dissemination of hate propaganda charges."

The resolution also called upon the court to serve judicial notice at the outset of the new trial that would establish the Holocaust as an historical and documented fact.

Phillip A. Leon, chairman of the BB's League for Human Rights, said: "If judicial notice is served, the issue would not be whether or not the Holocaust took place, but whether or not Zundel is guilty of spreading hate propaganda by denying the Holocaust. A hate propaganda prosecution with judicial notice would put Ernst Zundel on trial instead of the Holocaust."

BB's track record in supporting Jews at home and abroad was praised by two politicians.

Larry Grossman, leader of the Provincial Conservative party, called the organization "the grassroots of the Jewish community." He also lauded BB's role in the pursuit of Nazi war criminals and its participation in the Deschenes Commission.

"B'nai B'rith is the bridge between the horrors of the Holocaust and the ability to prevent such a tragedy from ever occurring again."

Don Valley East MP Bill Attewell praised BB's efforts to secure the release of Soviet Jews wishing to emigrate and, for those who choose not to leave, the freedom to practice their religion.

Attewell, who is chairman of the Parliamentary Group for Soviet Jewry, urged delegates to continue to apply constant pressure at all levels — this, he said, was the message that many Refuseniks whom he met on a recent 10-day trip to the Soviet Union asked him to deliver.

BB presented Attewell with a citation for his work on behalf of Soviet Jewry and other human rights issues. Presentations were made also to Genya Intrator, BB's consultant on Soviet Jewry issues, and Dr. Yuri Shtern, spokesman of the Soviet Jewry Education and Information Centre in Jerusalem. (See also report in June 18 issue.)

Dr. Brian Feldman, of Toronto, was elected BB president-elect.

Michael Rosenberg, outgoing chairman of B'nai B'rith Canada's Soviet Jewry Committee, makes presentation to Bill Attewell, MP for his commitment to the cause of Soviet Jewry.

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and extend sincere condolences
to his wife, Mercedes,
and all the members of his family.

African leaders to press Ethiopia on Jewish emigration

Shamir greeted with wild enthusiasm in Togo

By
BENNY MORRIS

LOME, Togo (JPFS) — Prime Minister Yitzhak Shamir has never generated such enthusiasm or commanded such adulation as greeted him here last week as he stepped off the Israel Air Force Boeing 707 that brought him to Togo on the first leg of his West African tour.

As a sprightly Shamir proceeded past a military guard of honor to the rumble of a 19-gun salute and shuffled through the gauntlet of handshaking dignitaries, troupes of brightly clad young men and women broke into frenzied song and dance.

With shouts of "Welcome Shamir!" "Shalom Shamir!" and "Bienvenu Shamir!" stopping the beaming Prime Minister dead in his tracks, the dancers and singers, obviously enjoying themselves, then broke into a hora to the tune of David Melech Yisrael.

The hundreds of dancers were incongruously clad in colorful garments bearing the pictures of French President Francois Miterrand and Togo President Gnassingbe Eyadema, and in T-shirts with the inscription "1967-1987" superimposed on a map of Togo.

The garments were produced for Mitterand's visit to the country last year, during the meeting of African leaders in Lome, and for last April's 20th anniversary of Eyadema's rule.

Earlier, just after landing, the Israeli plane taxied past the wreckage of a 4-engined propeller-driven aircraft, its snout stuck in the ground, that had served to bring to Lome a group of rebels who had hoped to topple Eyadema.

If at the airport there had been hundreds welcoming the Israeli Prime Minister, outside, along the route of the motorcade, there were tens of thousands. Eyadema and Shamir sat in an open Mercedes limousine, and waved to the ranks two and three deep of schoolchildren, laborers and housewives along the five-kilometre route.

Among the hosts lining the motorcade route were groups of Togolese Moslems from the north wearing distinctive headdress, and a greater number of Christian Togolese wearing a turban-like white headdress — a sign that they had been on pilgrimage to the Holy Land.

As the motorcade swept past, behind the spectators and behind barred gates could be seen some distinctly unhappy officials of the Libyan embassy. None of Togo's large Lebanese community seemed to have turned out to welcome Shamir either.

At various points along the route, men banged away on drums and groups of local cafe dancers and singers plied their trade enthusiastically.

The motorcade ended at the courtyard of the government's green-roofed guest house palace, which in former days served as the French colonial governor's residence.

The Togo government regards the visit as important, judging from the motorcade's turnout and the wide coverage of the impending event in the press. La Nouvelle Marche, the only and official daily, devoted some three of its 12 pages to Shamir, with articles on the visit itself, "Who is Shamir?" and an explanatory feature about the State of Israel.

In a meeting at the Lome convention centre, attended by thousands of cadres chanting slogans in honor of Eyadema, Shamir, Togo and Israel, Shamir said that Israel would be unable to extend direct financial aid to Togo. But Israel was willing and ready to give Togo advice and assistance in the fields of health and agriculture.

At a news conference, Eyadema said that Israel would assist Togo both in the counter-terrorism and military fields. He recalled that Togo had suffered from terrorism, noting an explosion in the capital city of Lome in 1985 and an abortive coup last September against his regime.

Yitzhak Shamir

Eyadema said that Israel would not have a large military presence in Togo but would advise and train units of the security forces, including the presidential guard.

Sources in Shamir's entourage said that Israel needs and seeks "no more than 10" embassies in Black Africa. "If we get two or three more that will be enough as far as we are concerned. We will not press afterwards for further embassies and anyone who reestablishes relations with us after that will get nothing in aid from us."

Eyadema implied that the Togo embassy would be established in Tel Aviv rather than Jerusalem — "where the rest of the African countries have the embassies," he said.

Eyadema dismissed the announcement by the Arab League condemning the renewal of relations. "The Togo people," he said, "do not take orders from anyone."

Meanwhile, in Yaounde, Israel and Cameroon agreed on a substantial expansion of Israeli technical aid to this Central African state, while Cameroon President Paul Biya assured Shamir that his country would "soon" send an ambassador to Israel.

Cameroon, the second country on Shamir's 3-nation African tour, renewed diplomatic relations with Israel nine months ago, but has so far failed to appoint an ambassador.

After an afternoon of talks with Biya and senior Cameroon officials, Shamir told a press conference that the Cameroon leader had himself raised the subject and explained that he "had not found a suitable candidate." But Biya had assured the Israeli Prime Minister that an ambassador would be dispatched soon.

At the press conference Shamir noted that 50 Cameroon agronomists had been to Israel during the past nine months and that Israel and Cameroon had agreed to substantially expand Israel's help in developing Cameroon's arid zones. Shamir said that a Cameroon delegation would soon come to Israel.

Shamir also said that the two countries agreed to "draw up a project to develop fisheries" in Cameroon, and to set up a regional centre in Cameroon for the "training of cadres in agriculture and health care which would serve the other countries in the area."

While it is understood that Israel will increase its economic and technical aid to Cameroon and, proportionately, reduce its defence and security aid, Israel instructors will continue to train the Cameroon Presidential Guard, which will wear violet berets, like the Givati brigade and other military units.

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YAMOUSSOUKRO, Ivory Coast (JPFS) —

The African leaders with whom Prime Minister Yitzhak Shamir met will try to persuade the regime in Addis Ababa to allow Ethiopia's remaining Jewish population to emigrate to Israel.

Shamir announced this at a press conference here Sunday at the end of his 4-nation tour of West Africa.

Shamir said that he had asked the leaders — President Paul Biya of Cameroon, President Gnassingbe Eyadema of Togo, President Samuel Doe of Liberia and President Felix Houphouet-Boigny of the Ivory Coast — to intervene with the Ethiopians to allow "reunification of families" and that these leaders had agreed.

Summarizing the tour, which ended with Houphouet-Boigny's leave-taking of the Prime Minister at Yamoussoukro Airport, Shamir said that it had strengthened ties with Israel in each country visited, had helped re-establish Israel in Africa and had given the Africans a sense that "the West was interested in them and did not ignore them."

"The Africans live with a sense that the West is uninterested in them and does not take their views and interests into account," said Shamir. His visit, he said, served to some extent to repair the damage. It demonstrated to the Africans that Israel was interested in Africa.

Moreover, said Shamir, it had triggered renewed interest "in a number of (other) Black African states" in renewing ties with Israel.

For lack of time — "these countries are unable to arrange a state visit within 24 or 48 hours" — more countries were not included in Shamir's tour.

The Prime Minister was referring, apparently, to Equatorial Guinea, which last week, while Shamir was in Cameroon, sent a special emissary to Yaounde to invite Shamir to visit his country.

Shamir's aides told the emissary that Shamir would agree on condition that Equatorial Guinea was ready to announce the renewal of relations while he was there. The country's president apparently replied he was unwilling, and the visit was dropped from the agenda.

But Shamir said that "without doubt" other countries will soon renew relations with Israel.

Shamir spent some eight hours in talks with Houphouet-Boigny, and Shamir aides said "the chemistry was right" between the two. The two leaders reportedly reviewed world problems, the Middle East, African affairs and economic issues.

Nablus mayor killers found

By
GIL SEDAN

JERUSALEM (JTA) — The security forces have uncovered a "highly professional" gang which is responsible for a number of terrorist attacks, among them the murder of Nablus Mayor Zafer Al-Masri last year, Lt.-Gen. Amram Mitzna, O/C Central Command, told a press conference in Jerusalem last week.

Mitzna said the cell was responsible for a number of "daring" attacks under orders from the Popular Front for the Liberation of Palestine, "conceivably under the direct orders of PFLP leader, Dr. George Habash," Mitzna said.

The cell operated for the past two years in the Samaria region, going into action every few months — and then returning into regular life.

The security forces attribute the terror gang with the following attacks:

- The murder of Afula resident Albert Buchris in downtown Nablus on July 30, 1985.
- The murder of border policeman Jamil Fares and the wounding of another policeman in downtown Nablus on Jan. 11, 1986.
- The murder of Nablus Mayor Zafer Al-Masri, at the entrance to the municipality on March 2, 1986.
- The wounding of two Israeli citizens in Jenin and Nablus, as well as the attempt on the life of the mayor of Jenin on May 23, of this year.

The murder of Masri was considered at the time a direct blow to the Israeli policy in the administered territories. Masri was the first Arab to be appointed mayor, after four years in which all the major Arab towns in the West Bank were run by Israeli officers. His appointment was welcomed by both Jordan and the PLO. It was considered at the time a first step toward a possible understanding on the territories among the major parties concerned.

His murder paralyzed Israeli efforts to create an independent Palestinian leadership in the territories — and this seemed to be at the time the purpose of the attack.

Mitzna could not elaborate on the motives of the attackers. He stressed, though, that they were especially disciplined, and they fully executed every order which they received. "There was not one order which they did not carry out," he said.

The Jewish Quiz

QUESTIONS:

(1) Who was considered to be one of the most prolific Canadian Yiddish poets?

(2) Who wrote in Yiddish the History of Jews in Canada?

(3) Which Montreal Yiddish writer's bibliography lists over a thousand literary works?

Edmond Lipsitz

ANSWERS:

(1) Yakov-Yitshak Segal (1896-1954).

(2) Benjamin A. Sack.

(3) Melech Ravitch.

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These questions and answers came from the book *6400 Questions About Judaism and the Jewish People* by Edmond Y. Lipsitz, published by JESL Educational Products, Downsview, Ont. Dr. Lipsitz would be pleased to receive your comments, or to consider your own Jewish quiz questions for inclusion in future columns. Write to him, c/o The Canadian Jewish News.

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World-National

"Sad day for Catholic-Jewish relations"

Pope set to meet Waldheim despite protests

ROME (JTA) —

President Kurt Waldheim of Austria will meet with Pope John Paul II at the Vatican this week, the Vatican announced.

It will be the first trip abroad for Waldheim since he was elected 11 months ago. He has been officially barred from entering the United States and is shunned by most Western governments because of evidence of his complicity in Nazi atrocities during World War II.

Vatican Radio explained that the Pontiff never refuses an audience with a foreign head of state. Waldheim, a practicing Catholic, will be accompanied by Foreign Minister Alois Mock. An Austrian spokesman said that the controversial president has received official invitations from Jordan, Libya and Uganda.

The announcement that the Pope will grant him an audience drew a sharp protest from the World Jewish Congress, which was instrumental in exposing Waldheim's Nazi past. "This is a tragedy for the Vatican, and a sad day for Catholic-Jewish relations," a WJC statement said.

It noted that "This is the Pope who met with (PLO chief Yasser) Arafat, this is the Pope who refuses to recognize Israel. This is not the first unsavory character whom the Pope has received in audience."

Other Jewish organizations also reacted strongly to the announcement.

Morris Abram, chairman of the Conference of Presidents of Major American Jewish Organizations, said in New York that "the American government passed proper judgment on the wartime conduct of Kurt Waldheim and placed him on the watch list of Nazis barred from entering the country . . . Now the Pope plans to receive Kurt Waldheim. We are deeply disturbed by this invitation which we find incomprehensible."

Albert Vorspan, senior vice-president of the Union of American Hebrew Congregations, referred to "the massive documentation of Waldheim's participation in Nazi crimes." He said "we urge the Pope to reconsider this unfortunate invitation which would have the effect of further straining relations with the Jewish community and impairing his own moral credentials."

Seymour Reich, president of B'nai B'rith International, said "We regret deeply that Pope John Paul II sees fit to meet with Kurt Waldheim. Such a meeting offers Waldheim a cloak of respectability that he does not deserve . . ."

And Lionel Kopelwitz, president of the Board of Deputies of British Jews, wrote to the papal ambassador in London: "We were shocked to hear of the Pope's invitation to Waldheim, which will give great offence to Jewish communities worldwide, as well as to all decent people, especially those who suffered and fought Nazism, who cherish truth, decency and eternal value which Jews and Christians share."

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MONTREAL —

Canadian Jewish Congress has expressed outrage with the decision of the Vatican to welcome Kurt Waldheim.

"Serious allegations have been made against Waldheim," said CJC president Dorothy Reitman. "Our own government and our Prime Minister have made it clear that Waldheim is not welcome in Canada. The United States has placed him on an inadmissible watch list.

"We find it beyond understanding that his first official visit would be to the Vatican, when most world leaders have seen fit to place him in virtual diplomatic isolation since his election a year ago."

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TEL AVIV (JTA) —

Israel has strongly condemned Pope John Paul II's decision to host Austrian president Kurt Waldheim, with foreign ministry spokesman Eghud Gol saying that the move had surprised the Jewish world and the State of Israel." "We wonder what the motives for the decision were, and we condemn it," Gol said.

Foreign ministry sources said they could not accept the Vatican explanation of "reciprocity" describing it as "unacceptable."

They said the Vatican should have been more sensitive than others, in the light of the lack of diplomatic relations with Israel and the special sensitivity attached to ties between the Catholic Church and the Jewish people.

They said the decision was especially ill-timed, coming in the wake of the Pope's visit to Poland and his homage to the destruction of Polish Jewry by the Nazis.

Representatives of several Jewish organizations attempted to call on Archbishop Carlo Curis, the Apostolic delegate in Jerusalem, to protest against the Vatican invitation to Waldheim, but he refused to meet them.

Organizations in Israel protesting the Pope's step included the Israel branch of the World Jewish Congress, the Zionist General Council and the World Union of Jewish Students.

First official visit since 1967

Soviet delegation coming to Israel

By
JTA & JPFS

JERUSALEM —

The foreign ministry confirmed last week that Israel has issued visas to members of a Soviet consular delegation due to come to Israel next month.

The visas were issued by the Dutch embassy in Moscow, which represents Israeli interests in the Soviet Union. The delegation will be the first official Soviet body to visit Israel since Moscow broke diplomatic relations after the 1967 Six Day War.

It will be headed by the deputy director of the Soviet foreign ministry's consular department, Evgeni Antipov.

The foreign ministry spokesman here was unable to give a date for their arrival, say how long the Soviet officials will stay or with whom they would meet.

A report from Paris quoted Soviet foreign ministry spokesman Gennadi Gerasimov as saying the mission's task is "to ascertain the situation of Soviet-owned property in Israel and to provide consular services for Soviet citizens living in Israel." He reportedly ruled out a reciprocal visit by an Israeli delegation to Moscow.

The Israeli foreign ministry spokesman said Israel was not demanding reciprocity. He added, however, that Foreign Minister Shimon Peres believes that if an Israeli delegation applied for Soviet visas, they would be granted.

Following a 90-minute meeting in Helsinki between Soviet and Israeli officials last August, both Prime Minister Yitzhak Shamir and Foreign Minister Peres demanded that an Israeli consular delegation be allowed to make a reciprocal visit to Moscow. But while Shamir insisted on reciprocity as a precondition for a Soviet visit, Peres's aides implied that Israel's Helsinki delegation had not made reciprocity a sine qua non for the Soviet visit.

At Helsinki, the Soviets said they wished to renew the passport of Soviet citizens in Israel, to examine the state of the substantial property holdings of the Russian Orthodox Church here, and to inspect their interests section in the Finnish embassy in Tel Aviv.

Shamir said in August: "We have explained to the Soviets that as far as we are concerned, the valuable treasure or property we have in the Soviet Union is the Jewish community of over two million people there."

The Helsinki talks, originally slated to last two days and touted as a "breakthrough" in Israeli-Soviet relations, broke up after a 90-minute session. But Israeli officials said later that the talks had not been a "failure — simply an end to the discussion."

Meanwhile, Peres revealed that the Soviet Union has rejected informal contacts with Israel and has reneged on promises with respect to Soviet Jewish emigration.

"The aliya issue is slipping out of our hands," Peres told the convention of the Independent Liberal Party last week. He said "there is a sharp backtracking of the Soviets in the Soviet-Israeli dialogue," adding that "additional, tireless efforts must be made to bring about an increase in aliya from the USSR."

Joseph Sitruk wins election as Chief Rabbi of France

PARIS (JTA) —

Joseph Sitruk, a 42-year-old Algerian-born ultra-Orthodox rabbi, was elected Chief Rabbi of France recently, succeeding Rene Sirat, who did not seek a second term.

Sitruk, who is Chief Rabbi of Marseilles, which has the largest Jewish community outside Paris, was elected by a 200-member General Assembly representing synagogues, religious communities and the Central Consistory, which administers Jewish religious foundations in France.

He won a majority on the first ballot over his only challenger, Rabbi Jacob Madar, who is expected to be elected Chief Rabbi of Paris.

Although Sitruk advocates strict interpretation of all religious laws, he is reputed to be an outstanding administrator. He is credited with reorganizing the Marseilles Jewish community during his nine years as Chief Rabbi there.

The fact that Sitruk and Madar are both of Algerian birth was seen here as an affirmation of the dominant role North African Jews now play in French community affairs.

It is believed that Sirat declined to stand for re-election because of personal differences with the head of the Central Consistory, Jean-Paul Elkan.

The Name Game

There's a story in almost every Jewish surname and Toronto lawyer FRED M. CATZMAN has been researching their origins over the past few years.

In a series of articles Mr. Catzman reports on his research. If you have any information relating to the origin and meaning of your surname, please pass it along to Fred M. Catzman, c/o The Canadian Jewish News, 10 Gateway Blvd., Suite 420, Don Mills, Ont. M3C 3A1.

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SARNER

My friend, Wilfred Sarner, has written me the kind of letter I love to receive. Instead of giving me a misspelled version of an obscure name with the challenge of cluelessly tracking it down, he has given me answers rather than questions, and, what is more, his information is well researched and authentic. He ascribes his surname to three possible sources:

SARNA is the Slavonic word for a female deer. It is the name of places in Poland and in the Ukraine, which might be compared to Red Deer, Alberta.

It is a translation of the Hebrew name TZVI and its Yiddish equivalent HIRSCH, the description of NAPHTALI, son of JACOB.

When Jacob blessed his sons, he referred to Naphtali as "a hind let loose. He giveth goodly words." (Genesis 49.21)

NEW AMBASSADOR

Moshe Arad has been named Israel ambassador to the United States (CJN June 11). A career diplomat who has been serving as ambassador to Mexico, Arad must still be approved by the U.S. [RNS photo]

CIC reception for Gur-Arieh

OTTAWA —

The Canada-Israel Parliamentary Group last week held a reception to welcome to Canada Israel's newly-appointed ambassador Israel Gur-Arieh.

The reception, "a get together" to acquaint the ambassador with the parliamentary group, was held in the West Block on Parliament Hill and was attended by members of the Israeli embassy, their spouses, representatives of the Ottawa Jewish community, spokesmen from the Canada-Israel Committee, members of Parliament and representatives of the Prime Minister's Office.

Group chairman David Daubney introduced the ambassador. Among the MPs present were Stan Darling, John Oostrom, Andre Plourde, Roland de Corneille, Sheila Finestone, David Orlikow and Senators Lorna Marsden and Nathan Nurgitz.

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DIARY ...of a People

By
DAVID BIRKAN

Rabbi Chananiah ben Teradyon was killed on Sivan 27 (this year, June 24) about 135 CE. He was one of the Asara Harugei Malchut — 10 martyrs — tortured to death by the Romans for defying their attempted suppression in the Holy Land of Shabbat observance, circumcision, and the teaching of Torah.

The Roman destruction of the Second Temple some 60 years earlier, crushing a bitter uprising against their occupation that took as many as 2 million Jewish lives, left Jewish nationalism smoldering but not extinguished. Heavy taxation, continuous Roman affronts, national pride, rising religious fervor, and a strong sense of messianism combined to fan the flames of revolt once again.

The Holy Land was the epicentre of rising agitation, but not its sole site. Communities across North Africa erupted into riots against formerly tolerated indignities and acts of injustice. As in 66 CE, the Jews of Alexandria, the Diaspora's largest community, broke out in prolonged rioting in 116, to be brutally suppressed.

Hadrian's advent to the throne of Rome in 117 promised to defuse mounting tensions. He executed Judea's predatory governor Lucius Quietus and upheld the claims of Alexandria's Jews against its Greeks. Rumor spread that he intended to rebuild the Temple.

Trouble reared again when his ban on self-mutilation included circumcision, a fundamental rite of Judaism. Hadrian's plans for the Temple turned out to include a Roman colony and an altar dedicated to himself, Aelia Capitolina. His Jewish subjects were not amused. Their vociferous objections to the cultural universalism with which he was trying to unify the empire prompted him to respond ever more harshly.

The new governor of Judea, Tinneius Rufus, quickly proved more ruthless than his predecessor. Hadrian confiscated the donations sent for the maintenance of the Temple rite. He added prohibition upon prohibition on Jewish observance as he prepared to hellenize Judea altogether.

Leaders divided

Hadrian's departure after a prolonged fact-finding mission in the Middle East signalled the outbreak of an uprising, in 132. Roman historian Dio Cassius reported that hostilities quickly spread the length and breadth of the country, were well planned, and enjoyed the support of Jews and non-Jews "around the world."

Actually, Judea's religious leaders were divided on the appropriateness of fighting. Popular Rabbi Akiva's unqualified support for revolt leader Bar Kochba proved decisive. Resistance was also expressed by open defiance of bans.

In Roman eyes, practicing rabbis were as culpable as armed rebels, if not the latters' motivation in the first place. Akiva was one of the first to die, in a dungeon in Caesarea, his body raked head to toe by iron combs. Jewish tradition — if not chronology — describe him, Chananiah ben Teradyon, Ishmael ben Elisha, Eleazar ben Duma, Judah ben Bava, Chutzpit the Interpreter, Yeshivav the Scribe, Eleazar ben Shamuah, Chanina ben Chachinai, Shimon ben Gamliel and Ishmael the High Priest as the 10 saintly teachers slain together by Rome. Their martyrdom is still movingly recalled in the Yom Kippur musaf service, and on Tisha B'Av. A sculpture at the Knesset, Benno Elkan's Menorah, depicts Chananiah's end.

Chananiah admitted to the charge of teaching Torah and conducting public services. He was sentenced to be burned at the stake, his wife to be executed, and his daughter to be sold to a brothel. Tradition records one regret — Chananiah's, that he had spent too much time in study at the expense of performing tzedakah.

Chananiah was wrapped in the Torah from which he had been teaching. To prolong his agony, he was placed on a pile of green twigs and his chest was drenched with water. His followers, forced to watch, asked: "Master, master, what do you see?"

"I see parchment burning, while the letters of the Torah soar upward," answered Chananiah, wo refused to hasten his end by keeping his mouth open to the fire. According to tradition, the executioner fanned the flame and threw himself in to die with him.

The Asara Harugei Malchut became the archetype martyrs of subsequent Jewish history.

Divorce and conversion issues

Chevra group seeks solutions

By
JUDITH EVE

NEW YORK —
Problems of divorce and conversion can be worked out to the mutual satisfaction of all the major branches of modern Judaism if the will to do so can be found, Rabbi Reuven Bulka of Ottawa told delegates to the recent Chevra conference in the Catskills.

The Chevra group is organized for rabbis and academics by CLAL, the National Jewish Center for Learning and Leadership which works to promote understanding and unity among the major Jewish denominations.

Almost a dozen Chevra chapters exist across the U.S. and more have been proposed both there and in Canada.

Bulka, an Orthodox rabbi, said the biggest stumbling block within Orthodoxy to negotiations with the non-Orthodox is the feeling that talking with the other groups implies recognition of them.

He stated that while individuals within Orthodoxy are willing to deal with members of the other denominations, there is yet no mass movement in that direction.

During the 2-day conference, delegates attended study sessions on issues ranging from the ethics of solicitation to the feasibility of establishing a national bet din.

The plenary session speakers included Rabbi Eugene Borowitz, editor of Shima magazine, Rabbi Rebecca Alpert, dean of the Reconstructionist Rabbinical College in Philadelphia and Rabbi Eugene Lipman, president of the Central Conference of American Rabbis.

They focused on the halachic process, conversion and patrilineality and the future of religious leadership for women.

The national bet din proposal and the issues of women's leadership seemed to stir up the most emotional responses at a conference whose ground rules emphasized reason, study, tolerance and looking at differing views in the best possible light.

"How can we be leaders when we are not yet acknowledged as full members?" eminent Jewish feminist Rachel Adler asked delegates, partially alluding to the fact that women were not asked to speak on any plenary panel except the panel on women.

She said women are expected to be mindful enough of "clal Yisrael" to work for it at the expense of their own exclusion.

"I have to keep reminding myself when I'm 'us' and when I'm 'them,' " Adler said.

Beverley Gribetz, an Orthodox woman recently appointed principal of the Prozdor high school at the Jewish Theological Seminary of America, told the plenum she has no use for movement labels and "little patience for women who don't study who want to enter into the feminist dialogue."

Still, she said, despite her own high level of observance and scholarship, "Orthodox Judaism has consistently tried to push me out of the movement — but I keep coming back. To say we can't find ways to change within the halacha is to sell the system short."

Of the approximately 130 delegates, about 35% were Conservative, 30% were Orthodox, a little over 20% were Reform, 10% were Reconstructionist and the rest did not state an affiliation.

Canadian participants included Rabbi Lawrence Troster of Richmond Hill, Ont., Dr. Barry Levy, Rabbi Howard Joseph and Dr. Norma Joseph of Montreal and Rabbi J. Benjamin Friedberg of Toronto.

Refusenik Ioffe tries hunger strike again

By
WENDY ROSEN

TORONTO —
Former Soviet hunger striker Alex Ioffe began another fast Father's Day in an effort to be reunited with his son Dimitry in Israel.

Ioffe, a mathematician who three weeks ago was told by the new Soviet commission investigating refusals based on security reasons not to apply until 1994, was recently refused permission to attend a scientific conference in Paris, reports the director of Canadian Jewish Congress' Committee for Soviet Jewry, Ontario Region.

Ben Prossin said that Ioffe, whose previous hunger strike in January lasted 19 days and eventually resulted in his son being given permission to emigrate, is asking the West but more particularly Western scientists and mathematicians to put pressure on Soviet authorities in the hope that they will reconsider and grant exit visas to Ioffe, his wife Rosa and daughter Anna.

The address is Academician Gury Marchuk, President USSR Academy of Science, Leninsky Prospect 14, Moscow 117901.

More than 20 Leningrad Refuseniks were "forcibly bundled into two police vans and taken to the local police station" when they tried to hold a memorial demonstration and shloshim for cancer patient Yuri Shpeizman, who died enroute to Israel, Prossin reports.

The demonstrators, who delayed the protest by 10 days at the insistence of Soviet authorities, had been told that permission to stage the event was denied on the ground that their motives were not acceptable. The Refuseniks were warned that if they proceeded, they would be sharply dealt with, Prossin said.

Although all of the protesters were detained, some — including well known Refuseniks Aba Taratuta, Mikhail Makushkin, Boris Lifshitz and Semion Borovinski — were told they must appear in court. At that time, the judge has a choice — dismiss the case, fine the Refusenik or jail him for a short term.

VIP rabbis honor Oziel's memory

By
DAVID BUZAGLO

TORONTO —
Community leader Leon Oziel, who died recently, was described as a man of courage and faith by Chacham Dr. Salomon Gaon, Chief Sephardic Rabbi of the British Commonwealth.

"His courage came from faith," said the Chacham, one of several dignitaries who took part in a recent mishmara, memorial service here for Oziel. "God was his strength," he said.

The Chacham, based in London, cut short a visit to Israel in order to participate in the service.

Rabbi Yamin Cohen, Chief Rabbi of Tangier, launched the traditional reading of passages from the Zohar (mystic commentary on the Pentateuch) on behalf of the deceased's soul.

Telegrams of condolence were received from Israeli Prime Minister Yitzhak Shamir and his deputy David Levy.

Earlier, Sephardic Chief Rabbi of Israel Mordechai Eliyahu telephoned Oziel's wife Mercedes and the Oziel family from Jerusalem to express his condolences. Rabbi Amaram Assayag, spiritual leader of Toronto's Petah Tikva-Anshei Castille Congregation, which Oziel founded and led for many years, translated Eliyahu's words from their Hebrew.

Oziel was a "man of faith who loved to do, who loved to help," said Eliyahu.

The mishmara was held at Petah Tikva to an overflow audience whose grief and sense of loss were obvious.

One seat remained empty throughout — Oziel's.

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Editorial

Different visions

It has been 20 years since the eloquent Abba Eban mounted the rostrum of the United Nations to deliver an electrifying speech in defence of Israel's right to wage war against Arab armies bent upon her destruction.

During those heady days Eban's finely chiseled rhetoric, his masterful delivery and extraordinary powers of persuasion earned him the admiration and plaudits of civilized people everywhere.

Two decades later Eban still speaks and writes as eloquently as ever but his public persona does not attract the same adultation . . . at least not in Israel.

Articles in The Jerusalem Post and The New York Times point to the fact that Eban has become more of an outsider in the public life of his country.

Eban's Knesset sub-committee report on the Pollard affair is a case in point. The report was highly critical of the lack of ministerial responsibility during the period when Pollard was transacting his business with Israeli intelligence officials.

While Israeli public opinion, according to The Post, generally supported the Eban committee's conclusions, Israel's political establishment did not. In fact, Eban has been the recipient of savage critical salvos from that quarter.

In an interview Eban admitted that he now represents only a small group of Israeli intellectuals whose definition and understanding of Zionism are wedded to concepts of liberalism, tolerance and ethical emphasis. "This has given way," he says, "to a new Zionism that used to be on the fringe but is now creeping to the centre of respectability."

That new Zionism, Eban says, repudiates the idea of seeking an accommodation with the Arabs and asserts the primacy of Jewishness over democracy. The continued occupation of the territories, Eban says, "is deforming and defacing our society."

These are strong words from the man once callled "the voice of Israel." Coming from an individual of lesser stature Eban's warnings might be dismissed as myopic. Abba Eban, however, has been a true servant of the Jewish state since its inception and he has its best interests at heart.

It is lamentable that his vision of Israel has been shunted to the periphery.

Good investments

We note with interest and approval the trend among Canadian businessmen to invest heavily in Israel. This is a fairly recent development because historically Israel's labor situation and economic rigidities made it difficult for entrepreneurial activity.

That atmosphere has given way to a more accommodating business climate in Israel. This has undoubtedly been a factor in the decisions taken by two Canadian investors to plunge into the Israeli market.

David Azrieli, the president of the Canadian Zionist Federation, has been a pioneer in this regard: he has been among those building huge shopping centres on the outskirts of major cities hoping to lure Israeli clients with ample parking and diversified commercial outlets.

A second Canadian, Edward Reichmann, has now been featured in The Jerusalem Post in a story describing his plans to spend several million dollars to develop a city centre mall right on King George St., one of Jerusalem's busiest thoroughfares. One of the reasons Reichmann gives for his investment decision is the economic stability in Israel.

The new mall is but one of four development projects in Israel that Reichmann is involved in and that activity bespeaks a great deal of optimism in Israel's economic vitality, especially in urban areas.

Reichmann believes that high standards and quality construction are not only possible in Israel but easily obtainable — "if you demand it."

The pump-priming investments of Canadian Jewish businessmen is laudatory because they help Israel strengthen the overall economic infrastructure of the country.

Sect in eastern India

Mizos claim Jewish descent

THE JEWISH WORLD

By SHELDON KIRSHNER

In the heavily forested region of northeastern India, wedged between Burma and Bangladesh, lies the remote Indian state of Mizoram.

Until recently, the dense bamboo forests of Mizoram were strictly off-limits to outsiders. Mizoram was a dangerous place, a war zone, where the Indian Army fought to contain an insurgency launched by the Mizos — the local Mongoloid people — in 1966.

Last year, the Mizos signed a truce with Indian Prime Minister Rajiv Gandhi. And in February, elections were held and Mizoram became India's newest federal state.

Foreign reporters permitted to travel to Mizoram to observe the transition to democracy were among the first non-Indians to set foot there. To their surprise, the big story was not necessarily Mizoram's accession to statehood, but the existence of an indigenous community that claims descent from one of the 10 lost tribes of Israel.

The Mizos claiming to be Jewish say they rediscovered their roots in the last two decades and want to "return" to their homeland, Israel. There may be as many as several thousand Jewish Mizos, whose ancestors were nature worshippers and headhunters who migrated to the area several centuries ago from Burma and China.

Missionaries had role

Welsh Prebyterian missionaries inadvertently convinced some Mizos that they were Jewish. By the turn of the last century, they had converted 90% of them to Christianity, with the result that most of Mizos today are devout Christians. In studying the Old Testament, a tiny minority seem to have become fascinated with the possibility of their connection with the tribes of ancient Israel, a New York Times correspondent reports.

Observant Jews in Mizoram (and in neighboring Nagaland and Manipur) make no claims to have practiced Judaism before their recent discovery of their past. But they insist they are the descendants of the tribe of Manesseh.

Former rulers of the kingdom of Judah, the Menessehs were exiled to Persia by the Assyrians, and dispersed once again in 331 BC by Alexander the Great. Many of its members ended up in Afghanistan, then emigrated eastwards to Tibet and China.

The theory is that they fled to Burma and northeastern India 800 years ago with the Mongol invasions and that they gradually lost touch with their original language, their Judaism and their laws.

Won over by sincerity

"We observe all the Jewish customs," a local Jew told a Manchester Guardian correspondent. "We celebrate the Sabbath and every other Israelite holy day. We recite our daily prayers in Hebrew. Our shops are open on Sunday and closed on Saturday. Our menfolk are circumcised and our food is kosher."

Their improvised synagogue, called simply a prayer room and decorated with a 6-pointed star, contains a Torah brought from Israel, a bronze menorah and a 7-branched candelabrum.

In 1985, an Israeli rabbi, Eliyahu Avihail, traveled to India to look into their claims. Apparently won over by their sincerity, he has since tried, without success, to get the Chief Rabbinate in Jerusalem to grant them official recognition as Jews.

Discouraged by the response, Avihail has advised the sect "to help yourselves" in achieving "progress toward Jewish life."

The official Jewish community in India has been of no help either, except for encouraging them to "convert" to Judaism and admitting them into a Bombay Jewish vocational training school.

The Israeli consul in Bombay has declined to give them visas.

Comparing themselves to Ethiopian Jews, the Jewish Mizos wonder why they, too, are not allowed to settle in Israel.

Reminded that Ethiopian Jews never gave up their faith while they abandoned it for hundreds of years, a woman named Rebecca, in an interview with the Guardian, retorted: "Is it our fault if our forbears behaved irresponsibly?"

THE EMPIRE STRIKES BACK

Empire Kosher Foods of Mifflintown, Pa., the largest producer of kosher poultry in the world, is back in business after a 1986 fire that destroyed its facilities.

The disastrous $25 million fire, which started in an electric heater inside the live poultry area, turned out to be only a temporary setback.

In February, a new 240,000 square foot plant was inaugurated. And this month, corporate offices were completed.

Empire was founded by the late Joseph Katz in 1938. His son, Murray, and his sons, Steven and Alan, run the operation. Today, Empire is the largest company and the major employer in Juniata county.

UNDER A VOLCANO

Jews in South Africa live in the shadow of a volcano, never knowing when the next bout of violence will flare up in their tragic country.

If you're interested in gaining more than a nodding knowledge of the Jewish community on the tip of the African continent, you can do no better than to consult *South African Jewry: A Contemporary Survey (Oxford University Press, $38.50).*

Edited by Marcus Arkin, director of the South African Zionist Federation, the book consists of 15 essays, some more pertinent than others. Arthur Goldman's piece on sports is not totally irrelevant, but, given the current situation, readers are more likely to turn to articles by Stephen Cohen, Allie Dubb and Harry Schwarz that deal competently with such matters as the historical background of the community, the demographic picture, and the political attitudes of Jews in this racially-torn nation.

Schwarz, a member of parliament, sums up the dilemma of South African Jews quite succinctly: They cannot be expected to subscribe to the racist tenets of apartheid, and yet they are all beneficiaries of the system.

He believes that "the average Jew" wants change and "the removal of injustices," but wants it to come in a "controlled manner, step by step."

Concluding, he writes: "Tomorrow's politics will not be easy for anyone, least of all for South Africa's Jews."

DOWN BUT NOT OUT

M.J. Rosenberg came and went like a flash of lightning.

Last August, he was appointed Washington representative of the American Jewish Committee, succeeding the durable Hyman Bookbinder, who had been on the job for more than two decades. Rosenberg, 39, seemed to have excellent qualifications. He had edited Near East Report, the official organ of the powerful American Israel Public Affairs Committee, and was known in Power Town as a brash, ambitious and competent advocate of Jewish rights and of Israel.

The match between Rosenberg and the conservative AJC did not pan out. The Baltimore Jewish Times reports that he and AJC's executive vice-president, David Gordis, did not get on, primarily because Gordis and he clashed on a variety of issues, ranging from Israel's involvement in the Iran-Contra scandal to Germany and Austrian President Kurt Waldheim. The Times claims that Gordis tried on two separate occasions to squelch the publication of articles Rosenberg had written defending Israel. And Gordis reportedly cancelled distribution of the Dec. 29 edition of the newsletter Rosenberg edited.

The final straw came when Gordis reportedly sought, unsuccessfully, to pull an Op-Ed piece on the Iran-Contra affair Rosenberg wrote for The New York Times.

Rosenberg's lawyer, Martin Mendelsohn, suggested that his client's style disturbed his employer. "M.J. has long been an ardent, passionate lover of Israel, and some of the more genteel leadership of the American Jewish Committee were obviously embarrassed by his outspoken views."

According to a letter writer in The Washington Jewish Week, Rosenberg was dynamically committed to Zionism, while the AJC was "a remnant of the old Jewish Establishment which too often was more concerned with its image in the eyes of Gentiles than its impact on the welfare of Jews."

Rosenberg, who had been earning $82,000 a year, has "landed on his feet," writes Henry Srebrnik, an observer of the Washington scene. M.J., as he is known on Capitol Hill, has begun work as a special assistant to Senator Carl Levin of Michigan.

Footnote: Since then, David Gordis, executive vice-president of AJC, has also been ousted.

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Kiryat Arba Jews go on rampage at refugee camp

Violence at Dehaishe bodes ill for Israel's future

Recent violence at the Dehaishe refugee camp near Bethlehem could be the shape of things to come on the West Bank, says The Jerusalem Post's Middle East Affairs editor, YEHUDA LITANI.

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JERUSALEM (JPFS) —

"An abomination." That was how General Amram Mitzna, head of Central Command, described the recent incident at the Palestinian refugee camp of Dehaishe, where Jewish settlers from the West Bank township of Kiryat Arba went on the rampage and staged a violent confrontation with Israeli soldiers.

Yet this was not the first attack on the refugee camp by Israeli settlers, nor was it the first clash between Jewish settlers and Israeli soldiers on the West Bank.

What brought the incident to the forefront of public attention was Mitzna's public reaction to it, a reaction that was endorsed by the Chief of General Staff, Lieut.-Gen. Dan Shomron, and Defence Minister Yitzhak Rabin.

Eleven years ago, a serious clash occurred between the army and Jewish settlers from Kiryat Arba, which overlooks the Arab town of Hebron.

On Land Day — March 30, 1976 — a group of settlers led by Rabbi Moshe Levinger, spiritual leader of Kiryat Arba, disobeyed the orders of the army's local commander and opened fire on Arab houses in Hebron.

They broke through army road-blocks, "arrested" some Arab Hebron inhabitants and clashed with Israeli soldiers several times.

Since then, there have been numerous incidents in which the Israeli settlers in the West Bank have come into conflict with the army.

In Samaria, while attempting to start new settlements, followers of Gush Emunim have confronted Israeli soldiers, sometimes violently, tens — perhaps hundreds — of times.

Israelis who oppose these attacks condemn the settlers for "taking the law into their own hands." But what law precisely? The old biblical law of an eye for an eye, not Israeli law.

Towards the end of the 70s and the beginning of the 80s, a number of Israeli settlers on the West Bank and followers of Rabbi Meir Kahane resorted increasingly to what was called "vigilante" reprisals, spawning a Jewish underground movement which tried to kill Palestinian leaders and blow up the al-Aksa Mosque.

The settlers hold that the Israeli army does not provide them with adequate security. They have repeatedly complained that their lives are in danger on the West Bank and in the Gaza Strip because of what they term a "security lapse."

The army, they claim, is not efficient and so they simply have to fill in for it.

"If the government has sent us here and if it has decided that we should stay here," they contend, "it has to provide us with adequate security."

In fact, most of the Israeli settlers forced themselves on the government — at least until the advent of the Likud government of Prime Minister Menachem Begin in 1977, which itself advocated Jewish settlement throughout the West Bank.

The settlement of Kiryat Arba was indeed established before 1977. But by the end of the 70s, under the new Likud government, the settlers twisted Begin's arm with regard to Jewish settlements inside Hebron itself.

The process by which the government gave in to the settlers in Hebron was one of gradual surrender.

Many Israelis support Gush Emunim and its goal of settling in the West Bank and Gaza Strip. But many others oppose them.

The nation is bitterly divided on the entire issue, and this is true also of Israel's citizen army, which is charged with directly maintaining security in the territories.

Not only reservists, but also some of the regular officers and soldiers, believe that Israel's real security problems should lie along and beyond the border, not within it.

But in Israel of 1987, the Israel-Arab conflict is rapidly becoming an internal, rather than an external, one; as West Bank specialist Meron Benvenisti describes it: "intercommunal strife."

For the Israeli army, maintaining security on the West Bank now revolves largely around safeguarding main roads, protecting Israeli buses and preventing demonstrations rather than securing the borders and training the army for the next war.

The incident at Dehaishe — when Israeli settlers went on the rampage after a pregnant Jewish woman was injured during the stoning of a bus — symbolizes more than anything else the transition from a concern with external security problems to "intercommunal strife."

Many Israelis, and perhaps also many Palestinians, are unhappy about this situation, but the extremists in both camps will force it on them.

This is the real price of the Six Day War victory: Israel cannot have its cake and eat it, too. If it wants to continue the occupation of the territories for another 20 years, it must be prepared for many more Dehaishes.

IDF soldiers patrol the Dehaishe refugee camp after the rampage by settlers from Hebron and Kiryat Arba. [IPPA photo]

In 15 years, Palestinian Arabs will comprise over 45% of the population. In 20 years, the ratio of Jews to Arabs will be about 50:50.

Unless a drastic change occurs, the occupation will continue and, with it, the internal struggle between the two peoples.

The internal struggle is just beginning. So far, it has been confined to camps in the West Bank, but tomorrow it may spill over into Nablus, Gaza and Ramallah. And who knows where it will go from there? To Jerusalem and other Israeli cities with mixed populations, such as Haifa, Acre, Nazareth?

As long as a political agreement between the two peoples remains elusive, the gap between them will widen and disunity will prevail in Jerusalem, in the territories and throughout much of the rest of Israel.

The rampage at Dehaishe, then, should not be perceived as an isolated incident; it is a symbol of what could happen in Jerusalem — almost anywhere in Israel — perhaps not immediately, but in the near future.

Canadian Sephardi institute could help community

HAIM HAZAN, a Vanier College professor of Montreal, is a co-founder of all existing Sephardi community institutions in Quebec and founder-president of the Commmunaute Sepharade de Ville St. Laurent. In this article, which appeared originally in French in La Voix Sepharade, Hazan discusses the future of his community and the need for a Sephardi institute for Jewish studies.

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Centre could produce ideas, mobilizing projects and leaders

Any self-respecting people who find themselves in a social environment different from their own, whether intentionally or not, make comparisons and arrive at an appreciation of their own identity in relation to that of the other. Or, that group is drawn by the other culture and assimilates and integrates it into its own at the price of sacrifice and conformity.

The Moroccan Jews in Quebec are no exception to this phenomenon. They are today, and have been since their arrival in 1956, deeply preoccupied with preserving their being. In spite of and because of various external pressures, they very early on began to rebuild, in their own way with the means and resources at their disposal, Jewish life in Montreal as they had lived it in Morocco.

Their actions surprised their English-speaking fellow Jews who thought they would assimilate the Moroccans, body and soul, into their own community.

But the instinct for preservation, working in mysterious ways, decided otherwise. The Moroccan Jews devoted themselves to uniting in small groups around prayers, funerals, weddings and births. Such gatherings evoked in their spirit a past which here on the other side of the Atlantic stood out as a glorious, radiant, marvellous past.

The sense of nostalgia was so strong that a few leaders of the time, reflecting on the community's future, managed to realize the worthy achievements that today, without question, answer evident needs. Synagogues on every street corner, Sephardi schools, youth centres, day care, socio-political structures that aspire to represent the community, student organizations, electronic and print media, etc., were developed.

This assessment appears all the more positive and to the community's credit in view of their short history in Quebec.

Yet neither structures nor institutions can make a community. Although necessary, they are not sufficient. They are vehicles, means of communication between administrators and citizens, between those in charge and their membership, between leaders and followers. They provide the community with a character indispensable for survival — but dear as it may be, this character lacks soul.

Each institution tries to exist according to its ways and in function of the militancy and force of current leaders, who at times are good and at other times not so good. Each of them will readily paint a positive picture, but will deplore the lack of participation on the part of members — the inability to fill schools and synagogues or the lack of volunteers to sit on committees

The Mediterranean temperament and the political system in which we were raised did not make our adaptation to Canada's political system easy. Because we are a dynamic people we were able to use local resources to create our own structures. But it must be admitted that we did not know then, and do not know now, how to play the democratic game, much less how to value it.

We must also confess that we are somewhat autocratic. We have to win . . . all the time. Losing an election is enough to render the defeated group a mortal enemy. It will reject what it advocated yesterday, destroy what it has built and, if tempers flare, then it's revolution.

In our country of origin respect for authority was the rule. We governed in a hierarchical manner, from top to bottom. Elected members of the community had to be approved by the resident-general or the monarch, but community councils, nonetheless, had the force of law, and rabbinical courts could sentence someone to prison.

Here freedom is absolute. For the first time in our history we face religious pluralism, something unknown to us: the ultra-Orthodox, the Orthodox, the chassidim, the Conservatives, the Reform, the Reconstructionists, and their many subdivisions. Everyone is free to join the movement of his choice.

Cultural differences

These cultural differences as well as democracy have required us to look at and question ourselves. Our community remains baffled and our leaders perplexed. Our youth are easily converted to new idols or to apathy.

Those who pursue Judaism can be found in Chabad Houses in search of what they cannot find in us. I have nothing against the Lubavitch; their work is admirable. But what do we, Sephardim, offer our young people?

Until things change we will continue to increase our pseudo-religious activities. We shamelessly exploit the innocent — visits to the Rebbe in search of miracles, the selling of candles, blessings ordered by mail or sold door-to-door and in stores . . . recipes for happiness, cures for the ailing soul.

Inquisition has replaced education. Synagogues have inquisitors to conduct trials. Anything goes. Private life no longer exists. Sephardim, who pride themselves in being liberal Jews since the 12th century and who proudly claim Maimonides, have become witch-hunters . . . not counting the unpolished zeal of our neophytes.

This is a damning diagnosis you may say. But what do you suggest?

What is needed today is a school of thought, a centre or high-quality institute for Jewish studies that could produce ideas, mobilizing projects and leaders. There is no community without scholarship.

At the end of a consultation a party in power always goes back to the source. A rabbi consults his yeshiva.

Our community needs a resource centre that can legitimize its representativeness and can, in a manner of speaking, become the Sinai of our community-desert.

Institutions of this type have already existed and answered similar needs for Jewish communities in the past following World War II in France, Morocco and the Mediterranean Basin.

We are not at war, thank God. But we are confused and facing an explosive situation. We are a small, vulnerable community, all the more vulnerable because we are isolated and because, in a continent of six million anglophone Jews, we, 25,000 francophones, want to remain Sephardi in a totally Ashkenazi milieu.

Where do we go from here? The status quo can only lead to suffocation and in time to our disappearance as a distinct community. It is time for our leaders to get to work and raise funds to open, whatever the cost, the type of centre mentioned earlier.

Although we were able to carry out the Exodus from Egypt and build the Michkan, we have failed in the task of forming priests and zekenim (elders).

Opinion

New laws must be approved in popular referendums

Switzerland seems unlikely to drop shechita ban

By
SHELDON KIRSHNER

ZURICH —

Shechita (the Jewish method of slaughtering permitted animals and birds for food) is taken for granted in Canada. But for the Jews of Switzerland, shechita is an issue that lingers on like a chronic disease.

Nearly a century has elapsed since the Swiss population, in a referendum, decided to insert a clause banning shechita into the federal constitution.

The prohibition, which applies to 4-footed animals but not to poultry, was upheld by the federal court in 1907 and by the two houses of parliament in 1977.

Originally passed by a coalition of animal lovers and anti-semites, the controversial measure, which was subsequently emulated by Norway and Sweden, led to the formation in 1904 of the umbrella organization of Swiss Jewry — the Schweizerische Israelitische Gemeindebund, or SIG.

SIG, which represents practically all of Switzerland's estimated 18,000 Jews, has contested the ban but to no avail.

The prohibition means that Swiss Jews who observe the laws of kashruth have no choice but to import their kosher meat. SIG, which has held the exclusive import licence for the past 59 years, buys meat products primarily from neighboring France.

Although Swiss Jews have learned to live with the anti-shechita law and largely consider it no more than an irritant, the feeling persists that it is both an injustice and a burden on their pocketbooks.

Be that as it may, no one here seriously believes that the ban will be lifted.

Robert Braunschweig

"There is no immediate chance for change," says Robert Braunschweig, president of SIG. "All over Europe the animal rights movement is gaining strength."

Sigmund Feigel, who heads the community in Zurich, points out that strong pro-animal rights tendencies have emerged of late in such countries as Holland, Belgium, Britain and France. "So we may be in good company," says Feigel, a lawyer.

Sigmund Feigel

In Feigel's opinion, the community can bypass the prohibition if it agrees that animals can be stunned before they're ritually killed. "That would solve our problem," he comments. But this solution is opposed by local Orthodox rabbis, he concedes.

So the controversy about shechita continues, and with it, the attendant debate on how effective Jews have been in putting their case to the Swiss public.

Braunschweig, a retired automotive magazine editor, and the second Jew to hold the rank of colonel in the regular reserve army, claims that SIG has "tried many times" to have the prohibition overturned. Previous governments, he explains, have been sympathetic. But they have been powerless to make changes, since new laws must be approved in popular referendums.

"Democratic systems do have their drawbacks," he says with a tinge of irony in his voice.

Alain Rueff

Alain Rueff, president of the Basel branch of the Union of Jewish Students, disagrees with Braunschweig. "The Jewish community has failed to state its case clearly, probably out of fear that it would provoke an anti-semitic backlash." He, personally, does not believe that voters would react so prejudicially.

Hans Taussky, president of Basel's B'nai B'rith chapter, and the proprietor of a marketing research agency, begs to differ as well.

In a reference to SIG's leadership, past and present, he observes: "We, on the whole, are rather anxious about going against public opinion, which is pro-animal rights. We prefer to work through quiet diplomacy. I have a 'louder' concept of public relations. PR is very much neglected by Jews here, and Swiss people don't really know what the Jewish community stands for and what are its goals."

But, having gently rapped SIG on its knuckles, Taussky concurs with Braunschweig that the battle for shechita has been lost. As he puts it: "It's too late for shechita. It's politically impossible at the moment to change the law."

Willy Guggenheim, SIG's secretary-general, says the community is faced by more important problems than the lack of shechita.

"The community is heading toward old age homes and the cemetery," he warns half in jest.

Willy Guggenheim

The average age of the Swiss Jew is "much higher" than that of the general population, and half of Jewish men and women marry outside the Jewish fold, he explains.

"In 1970, 21% of the Jews were over 65 years old (as against 11% of the Christian population); 16% were between 10 and 14 (as against 21%), 19% between 15-29 (as against 24% of the general population).

"The fertility rate of Jewish couples cannot make up for this negative demographic trend, particularly since mixed marriages are rapidly progressing."

Says Taussky, "The community is not growing, it is stagnant."

Purely internal divisions also beset Swiss Jewry, the bulk of whose members live in Zurich, Geneva, Basel, Lausanne and Bern. "SIG encompasses almost the entire spectrum of Jewish religious life, from Orthodox to rather liberal," says Guggenheim. "Only the very progressive and two ultra-Orthodox communities are not members."

Lately, there have been "growing signs" of "dangerous polarization" in the community, with the Orthodox wing having "become more and more militant" in its attempt to impose its views on the majority, according to Guggenheim.

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The modern history of Swiss Jewry probably starts after 1866, the year Jews were granted full civic rights, the last ones in Western Europe to be given such rights.

Jews reached Switzerland with Roman legions in the 3rd and 4th century. Later, Jews from various regions in France and Germany made their way to Switzerland.

By the 15th century, the community was no more, having been expelled after being accused of poisoning wells during the Black Plague.

During the Thirty Years' War, Jews were given permission to settle in two villages in the canton of Aargau, Endingen and Lengau. The communities grew, but dwindled by the turn of this century. Today, less than a dozen Jews reside in Lengau and Endingen, the latter of which is the only village in Switzerland that has a synagogue but no church.

From Lengau and Endingen, Jews fanned out to cities like Zurich and Basel and Bern and to smaller centres like Chur, Baden and Lugano.

Contemporary Swiss Jewry is composed of these early pioneers and of Jews from Eastern Europe, Central Europe, Egypt, Turkey and Israel. Two-thirds of Jews living in Switzerland hold Swiss citizenship, which is extremely difficult to obtain.

Jews are "fairly well integrated" into Swiss society, according to Guggenheim, whose family has been here for generations.

"Switzerland is as open to the Jews as the U.S.," says Rueff, a 22-year-old pharmacy student at the University of Basel.

Taussky generally agrees with their upbeat assessment, but he reminds a visitor that Jewish professionals with whom he is acquainted have complained that anti-semitism has slowed their careers — a common enough complaint outside Israel.

Hans Taussky

Anti-semitism notwithstanding, the community has produced several prominent Jews — Michael Cohen, the former head of the Swiss Federal Institute of Atomic Energy; Francois Nordmann, the former Swiss ambassador to Nicaragua; Philippe Levy, a senior diplomat who represents Switzerland in European trade talks; Robert Cohn, the Academy Award winning film producer; Andre Kaminsky, a novelist whose books have been best sellers; Raymond Batteguay, chief of the medical faculty at the University of Basel.

For all intents and purposes, anti-semitism poses no major problems for Swiss Jews, whose per capita contributions to Israel are among the highest in the world.

Braunschweig hews to a pragmatic approach. "There is no love affair between the various ethnic groups — German, French and Italian — in this country," he says. "The Swiss people just tolerate each other. Why should Jews be any different?"

Peter Rhein, the 43-year-old vice-director of the Basel Tourist Board, says that anti-semitism remains on a low level, but admits that when he was growing up "a lot of people made you feel like a member of a minority."

The establishment of Israel, he states, facilitated greater acceptance of Jews by non-Jews.

Despite Israel, there have been unpleasant incidents. Rueff says he knows Orthodox Jews who no longer go to soccer games because they're afraid to wear kipas in stadiums.

And a couple of years ago, in the resort towns of St. Moritz and Arosa, local newspapers printed letters to the editor complaining about the less than refined behavior of bearded, black-clad Orthodox Jewish visitors from abroad.

In recent years, the anti-semitic incident that most galvanized the community concerned the case of Mariette Paschoud, a Lausanne history teacher who argued there had been no gas chambers in Nazi concentration camps. Paschoud, who is also a military judge, was subsequently relieved of her duties, and the Swiss Officers Organization publicly dissociated itself from her views.

Jews here regard the Paschoud case as an isolated example — a "minor matter," in Braunschweig's words.

But as a result, the Swiss parliament is planning to amend the penal code so it will contain a ban on incitement to racial hatred. Braunschweing describes the proposed legislation as "an insurance policy."

"Very dark chapter" in nation's history

Neo-Nazism in Switzerland is of no importance whatsoever, he adds. In the Lausanne area, insignificant numbers of neo-fascists have been active, but they have failed to win any appreciable support.

"They are nothing but small pinpoints on the map," says Braunschweig contemptuously.

Fascists were stronger before World War II. Anti-semitic "fronts" were founded throughout the country in the 1930s and they disseminated anti-Jewish propaganda through the distribution of hate literature like *Protocols of the Elders of Zion*, a crass czarist forgery.

In February of 1936, a Jewish student, David Frankfurter, shot and killed the Swiss Nazi leader, Wilhelm Gustloff, in the resort of Davos, setting off great waves of emotion. Frankfurter was sentenced to 18 years imprisonment, but his trial exposed the scourge of Nazism in Switzerland. (After the war, Frankfurter was pardoned, and he immigrated to Israel.)

During the Holocaust, Switzerland admitted about 23,000 Jewish refugees (cared for by Swiss Jews) and let 100,000 Jewish refugees pass through the country. But Swiss authorities refused entry to 10,000 Jews, condemning them to death.

This callousness on the part of the Swiss government was not unprecedented. In 1938, at Switzerland's suggestion, Nazi Germany stamped a "J" on the passports of German Jews, thereby enabling Swiss border guards to keep out Jews. In 1939, Paul Gruninger, the chief of police in the canton of St. Gallen, was dismissed from his post for exhibiting an "excessive" humanitarian attitude toward Jewish refugees. In 1942, the Swiss police denied the status of political refugees to persons who became "refugees only on racial grounds" (Jews).

Asked about Switzerland's past, Jewish leaders condemn it as "a very dark chapter in Swiss history." But they point to extenuating circumstances: After the fall of France in 1940, Switzerland was surrounded by the Axis powers (Germany and Italy) and feared a German invasion; no one knew which side would win the war; strict rationing had gone into effect, and Swiss officials felt that "the boat was full" — a slogan that may have seemed reasonable 45 years ago but which sounds empty and flat today.

Opinion

Summertime is Perik time

Ethics of the Fathers and my uncle Eliezer

By
J. B. SALSBERG

It has become a tradition, in this privileged corner, to follow the old custom of reading or, at least, quoting from the treasure trough of Pirke Abot that is filled with precious gems of ethical and moral teachings.

For many centuries Jews and, in particular, Jewish children would, in summertime, leisurely wend their way to their teachers' homes on peaceful Saturday afternoons to "learn" a chapter of Pirke Abot (Avot).

J. B. Salsberg

And, as addicts of this column also know, I take the liberty, once or twice a year, to return to Perik's moral and ethical statements and to Jewish spiritual leaders of the chassidic and musar (moralist) great.

This summer will be no exception. Except that this year my good uncle Eliezer consented to comment on the treasured quotations that I have selected for this year's offering of Perik and the other sources.

And so, my dear friends, relax in the shade and savor our offerings.

Hillel the Elder, according to Pirke Avot, said: **"Be of the disciples of Aaron; loving peace and pursuing peace, love your fellow creatures and bring them to the Torah.**

(Uncle Eliezer asks: How come that so many of the "Torah world" are currently engaged in so many fierce battles over secondary differences within the "Torah-observant" world?)

Hillel, who was known to be sympathetic to non-Jews who desired to enter the Jewish faith, had the following experience:

A Greek came to Hillel's house and asked the renowned Jewish scholar to teach him the whole Torah while he, the enquirer, stood on one foot. And Hillel said to him: **"What is hateful to you, do not do to our neighbor; that is the whole Torah; the rest is commentary; go and study."**

And, tradition has it that the Greek who came to Hillel was Inkeles, who converted to Judaism, who did immerse himself in Jewish studies and who became the classic Torah commentator whose comments are known as the "Targum Inkeles," the translation of Inkeles.

(Uncle Eliezer suggests that Hillel's quintessential expression of Judaism — do not do unto others, etc. — should be emblazoned outside and inside of every Jewish gathering place.)

Hillel also said: Don't separate yourself from the community (tzibur); . . . Don't judge your comrade until you are in his place; . . . an empty-headed man cannot be sin-fearing; . . . an ignorant person can not be pious; . . . nor can one who is overmuch engaged in business grow wise; and, finally, . . . where there are no men (examplary people) endeavor to be a man.

(To which uncle Eliezer said: "That man Hillel was certainly a spiritual and ethical colossus!" And I agree with my uncle.)

And now, my thoughtful friends, let's leap forward some 1,600 years more to recall what some of the later-day leaders and chassidic rebbes had to say:

The Baal Shem, founder of present-day chassidism, said: "What does it mean when people say that Truth goes over all the world? It means that Truth is driven out of one place after another and must wander on and on."

He also said: "Let sinners come to me if they are not proud. I keep the scholars and the sinless away from me if they are proud. For the sinner who knows that he is a sinner and, therefore, considers himself base, God is with him, for He 'dwelleth with them in the midst of their uncleanliness.' But concerning him who prides himself on being unburdened by sin, God says, as we know from the Gemara: 'There is not enough room in the world for myself and him.' "

(Uncle Eliezer says that he knows of more than a few such self-righteous individuals in present-day Toronto — even in Toronto . . .)

Menachem Mendle of Kotzk (or just plain — Reb Mendle Kotzker, better still, "Der Kotzker," for there was no Kotzker dynasty) is my favorite from among the earlier chassidic rebbes.

Der Kotzker once said of a famous rabbi: "That's a tzadik in a fur coat." When his disciples asked what he meant, he answered: "... one man buys himself a fur coat in winter, another buys kindling. What is the difference between them? The first wants to keep only himself warm, the second wants to give warmth to others too."

Reb Mendle Kotzker asked of one of his disciples: "Yaakov, to what purpose was man created?" and Yaakov answered, "so that he might perfect his soul." Reb Mendle replied: "No, indeed! Man was created so that he might lift up the Heavens."

(To which my good uncle Eliezer said: That's deep, very deep, and very meaningful. With which I fully agreed.)

And so, have a healthy, peaceful and thoughtful summer and read Pirke Avot.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Letters are welcome if they are in English or French, no more than 250 words, typewritten with lines double spaced, and of interest to our reading public. Readers are cautioned not to make sweeping claims against persons or institutions which they cannot verify, as libel laws are very stringent. We reserve the right to edit letters, which must bear the sender's address, phone number and handwritten signature.

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NO ANTI-SEMITISM IN JAIL

Re Tzandy Barzel Yisroel's June 4 letter headed "Anti-semitism in jail?":

I wish to state categorically that in the 15 years I have been serving as a prison chaplain in 14 provincial and federal jails in and around Montreal, I have not become aware of one single case of anti-semitic bias shown to a Jewish inmate by a "prison brother."

For example, some years ago a young drug offender was found dead in his cell from an overdose, and I was asked to hold a memorial service in prison.

It was attended by only four Jewish inmates; the rest of the "congregation" of 25 men consisted of non-Jews.

A number of things are done for Jewish inmates.

Contacts are made and maintained between them and their families.

Parole proceedings are sometimes attended and efforts to re-establish a Jewish ex-con are initiated and guided by Jewish organizations.

Kosher meals are provided in all establishments for Jewish Holy Days; in most jails, also on a daily basis; paid by the government. Services on festivals are held whenever possible. Religious articles like prayer books, Bibles, tallis and teffilin are available on request.

In general, our efforts to help the Jew in jail are not negligible.

Rabbi Daniel Lewin
Montreal

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SAYS TV SHOW FACTUAL

In his recent letter, S. Poray-Swinarski claims the TV docu-drama, *Escape From Sobibor*, contains unsupported statements.

I consider his criticism unfounded.

It is based on a book written by a well known, non-Jewish Washington writer, Richard Rashke.

To research the material for his book, Rashke travelled to California, Brazil, Poland, the Soviet Union and Israel.

He interviewed 18 of the 30 Sobibor survivors. He then compared their stories with a book written by an escapee right after the war, and also with a diary kept by another escapee partially when still in the camp, and continued later after his escape.

In doing so, Rashke was able to discern and use in his book only true facts.

Joachim Schoenfeld
Toronto

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JEWISH UNANIMITY?

J. B. Salsberg asks in a recent column: Wouldn't it be preferable to speak to governments in one unified Jewish voice, rather than the Lubavitcher Rebbe speaking to Reagan on behalf of his own group?

Salsberg queries further: "Isn't there a danger of destroying Jewish unity in the process?"

The answer to the first question is "yes" and the answer to the next question is "no."

Yes, it would be preferable if all Jews could speak with one voice. But, no, one could not be said to undermine Jewish unity, no matter what one said.

So far as I know, there has never been Jewish unanimity on anything since the time they all agreed to accept the Torah on Mt. Sinai.

Yitzchak Block
London, Ont.

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DISPUTES KILLING UNBORN BABIES

Re recent newspaper debates on abortion:

I believe the experts are right when stating that Jewish doctors need ethical advice on this matter.

Unborn babies are being killed as late as 4½ months, mainly for convenience.

It is similar to the Nazi philosophy of "disposable humans."

Alexander Franklin
Toronto

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Galilee Landscape by Ofira Barak is representative of the work by five Israeli artists whose exhibition at Toronto's Zohar Gallery has won praise.

LAUDS ISRAELI ART SHOW

I want to thank The Canadian Jewish News for the skilfully written article about Zohar Gallery and its current exhibition of Israeli landscape paintings.

Mark Dodick's piece has already elicited calls from many interested people. Thank you for this excellent exposure for a group of highly talented Israeli artists.

Susan Brandes
Toronto

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PALESTINIAN NATION A MYTH

Israel denies it, but Jordan says Mr. Peres secretly agreed with King Hussein to give him Gaza, most of Judea and Samaria, and joint rule over Jerusalem.

Hussein's crown prince brother said in Ottawa that more and more Israelis are ready to recognize the PLO.

For 39 years, Arabs have boycotted Israel and tried to conquer it. With support of Third World and Communist lands, it ignored Israel's every peace effort, instead giving fantastic sums to the PLO for terrorism and efforts to destroy Israel.

Arabs refused to talk peace, though there is de facto peace on all Israel's borders, whereas the Arab world is at war with itself in Lebanon, Iraq is at war with Iran and Russia occupies Moslem Afghanistan.

Israel's enemies ignore reality and conned the UN into branding Zionism as racism and asking for a homeland for poor homeless Palestinians. There never was a Palestinian nation: the last native state in Palestine was the Israel nation, conquered by Romans 1,900 years ago.

How strange so few people in the world know this, even in Israel!

How few know that Jordan is almost 80% of former Palestine, given by Britain in 1922 to King Hussein's grandfather, driven from his native Hejaz by Saudi Arab cousins! Jordanians are Palestinian Arabs.

Arabs calling themselves Palestinians have an all-Arab homeland. Jews hold only 20% and Arabs and leftist Jews cry: "Give up land for peace."

Charles Anthony
Toronto

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AUTHOR SEEKS JEWISH TALES

I am compiling a book of Jewish anecdotes about prominent historical and contemporary Jewish personalities. I would appreciate hearing from readers who have anecdotes.

The anecdotes could be any brief humorous or revealing incident in which the subject's Jewishness played a crucial role.

Lawrence J. Epstein
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RIGHT TO QUESTION RABBIS

Re your continuing discussion by letter writers on the rights of homosexuals:

I see no connection between the personal opinions expressed by Prof. Francis Crick as to the definition of life and death and the opinions expressed by myself concerning the need for basic respect for human rights of all individuals, including homosexuals.

I disagree with L. Mayerson as to the "right" of a Jew to disagree with, or question pronouncements of our religious leaders.

Fortunately for us, Jews have individual and personal access to the Torah and to its teachings and do not have to "channel" their ideas and beliefs through the rabbinate.

As a Jew and as a physician, I feel a responsibility to be concerned with issues which are of such importance.

In the same way that we should oppose ideas such as those of Prof. Francis Crick as to definition of "life" that threaten basic respect for human rights, so should we oppose statements by other individuals, including the clergy, if these are contrary to the teachings of humanistic Judaism.

Dr. Michael Gordon
Baycrest Centre for
Geriatric Care
Toronto

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CORRECTION FROM CONSERVATOR

Thank you for the recent informative article in your Montreal edition about the "rare El Lissitzky Chadgadya" lithographs and the part played by the Canadian Centre for Architecture in preserving them.

I would like to point out one item that needs to be revised, however. In the article you listed me as "its paper conservator Terry Rempel," which is not quite correct.

I am the CCA's *conservator library collections*, although my background also happens to be paper, as well as books.

Terry Rempel
Montreal

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SEEKS PEN PAL OVER 60

I'd like to become a pen pal with your readers over the age of 60, who speak and write in English, German or Hebrew.

One of my interests is stamp-collecting; besides, of course, subjects of general interest.

My daughter lives in Israel.

Herbert Curjel
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Switzerland

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"RESPECT EACH OTHER'S BELIEFS"

Let us all remember a good point made last year at the 23rd international conference of the World Union for Progressive Judaism held in Toronto. The point was made during a debate held by Reform Rabbi Alexander Schindler and Orthodox Rabbi Walter Wurzburger.

Rabbi Wurzburger said: "While Reform and Orthodoxy may differ on matters of religious interpretation in respect to Jewish peoplehood, there is no question of Reform Jews being anything else but part and parcel of the Jewish people. All Jews are part of the Covenant and no ecumenical movement is needed within Judaism."

Rabbi Wurzburger credited Reform with its success in keeping numbers of Jews within the fold who would otherwise have been lost.

Rabbi Schindler summed it all up very well in his closing remarks: *"Vos mir zenen, zenen mir, ober Yidden zenen mir."*

It was good to hear that, though religious leaders may disagree on halachic procedures, nevertheless they should understand and respect each other's views. This is basic to all religion.

Rose Ehrenworth
Toronto

World-National

No doubt of personal involvement says Serge Klarsfeld

Trial of Klaus Barbie has entered a final phase

LYONS (JTA) —

The trial of Nazi war criminal Klaus Barbie entered its final prosecution phase last week with the beginning of summations by lawyers representing surviving victims of the former Lyons Gestapo chief and the families of those who did not survive.

The first to address the jury was Serge Klarsfeld, who, with his German-born wife, Beate, has devoted years to tracking down Nazi war criminals. Klarsfeld is representing surviving relatives of 44 Jewish children arrested by German soldiers at the children's shelter in the village of Izieu on April 6, 1944 and deported to Auschwitz, where all perished.

One of the key items introduced as evidence during the trial is a telex signed by Barbie to Gestapo headquarters in Berlin reporting the arrests. "There can be no doubt left of Barbie's personal involvement in this crime," Klarsfeld said.

"Those arrested were children, some only five years old. They can in no way whatsoever be described as terrorists or resistance fighters. Their only crime was being Jews," he said.

The summations will occupy eight sessions of the court, lasting until June 27. In all, 39 lawyers will argue why Barbie should be given the maximum sentence allowed by French law — life imprisonment.

But the question of whether Barbie will be brought to justice may hang on the outcome of a cunning legal maneuver by his attorney, Jacques Verges. Verges petitioned the court to free Barbie whether or not he is found guilty of crimes against humanity. He cited French law, which requires that a defendant found guilty of crimes during the same period of time must serve them concurrently, meaning that the most severe sentence supersedes all.

Barbie was sentenced to death in absentia in 1952 for war crimes. He avoided the penalty by finding haven in Bolivia. Verges argued that since the statute of limitations on war crimes convictions expired 15 years ago and France, in any case, abolished the death penalty in 1981, Barbie has technically paid his debt to society and must go free.

State prosecutor Pierre Truche will challenge that contention, the prosecutor's office announced. Presiding Judge Andre Cerdini will rule on Verges' plea when the trial ends.

In any case, Barbie will be held in custody pending a decision by the justice ministry whether to try him for the murder of French resistance leader Jean Moulin.

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"Instead of fighting let's work it out"

Agency-Reform relationship one of conciliation

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ty Outreach," which Azari defines simply as "expanding the movement. . . . We intend to show Israeli children another way of Jewish life — something other than the extreme haredi and the Orthodox," he says.

Levinsky concedes, "If there is one point I don't like very much, it's their Outreach. Yes, they called it social outreach, but it is not really," he observes.

Levinsky asserts that the program is a thinly veiled effort at Reform proselytizing among Israel's disaffected youth. "I do not like missionaries," he argues, "and even less do I like financing missionaries. If they have a so-called 'community centre' in their Beit Knesset (synagogue), how much is missionary outreach and how much is community centre?"

Despite lingering differences, the relationship between the Agency and the Reform movement is actually one of conciliation. During an interview, Levinsky repeatedly stopped his own verbal assaults against Progressive tactics and attitudes by saying, "Instead of fighting, let's work it out."

Azari was equally obliging. Whenever Levinsky disagreed with Azari's most fundamental statements, Azari would reply, "Fine, whatever he says is okay. We are very happy with the Agency, we like what they are doing, and I am not going to get into an argument with Akiva Levinsky."

In truth, the Agency has indeed long been funding Reform institutions, albeit generally only within a general allocation. For example, Yahel, the Reform kibbutz in the Arava, has long received the same general support money as other kibbutzim. Progressive school buildings in the Galilee and Haifa — and several more to come — have been built through the Agency's Israel Education Fund.

"What the Reforms don't understand is that I don't finance movements, only programs," insists Levinsky. "Until they finally showed me practical programs, I could not give them any money."

Azari answers that Reform institutions have benefited generally, but not specifically as other religious groups in Israel have. Levinsky rejects this argument as well. "How can they say that! The Agency gave them $500,000 to build their campus and headquarters."

Azari confirmed that substantial Agency dollars helped construction, but repeated that it was one thing to help defray construction costs on a building, and another to actually fund Progressive activities within Israeli society.

According to Azari, an even more important victory than funding the Reform was "changing the Agency's attitude about funding the haredi."

Azari said that Progressives were key pressure players in last year's General Assembly resolution to require a so-called "Zionist loyalty oath" as a condition of funding. This effectively precluded anti-Zionist haredi groups that refused to endorse the state, yet enjoyed communal money.

The "loyalty oath" set up a series of criteria for authentication as a "Zionist institution." They include flying the Israeli flag, endorsing military or alternative national service, teaching Zionist history and principles, and observing Israeli Independence Day.

A number of anti-state religious institutions, previously funded by the Agency, have in recent weeks confirmed they will not sign the pledge. But so have such staunchly Zionist institutions as Hashomer Hatzair, citing the "crudeness" of the oath's phraseology.

Consequently, the Agency has thus far adopted no posture on cutting off funds. Rather, they believe the original letter they sent out to funded organizations was too vague and confusing.

Levinsky has prepared a still secret report to be presented to the board of governors outlining exactly who has refused to sign. But a top Agency official confirms that if a compromise cannot be found, "certain institutions may no longer receive money."

On processing Soviets in Rome

JIAS is to seek fast action

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expected to come here. The agency will also request that the government speed up the time taken to process Soviet migrants in Rome, he added.

All may not require JIAS assistance for the full year, but, past experience with Soviet immigrants points to the likelihood most will. Many, in fact, have remained under JIAS sponsorship beyond the 1-year mandate, Abrams said.

In addition to practical assistance, he said many Soviets require counselling by JIAS staff to readapt to their new country.

The Soviets will arrive in Canada as landed immigrants, with visas permitting them to work immediately. Those sponsored by JIAS cannot receive welfare, Abrams pointed out.

JIAS has a service contract with every Jewish family service in Canada under which JIAS reimburses the local community for its costs in the resettlement of Soviet immigrants. In communities where no such agency exists, a rabbi or prominent businessman may act as the new immigrant's community contact.

Soviet Jews are admitted to Canada under a designated refugee class for Eastern Europeans, Abrams said. Another request JIAS will make is that the numbers of persons admitted under this and other refugee categories be increased.

As JIAS national president Harold Ashley stated at the agency's recent annual meeting: "We continue to call for a more liberal policy pertaining to reunification of families, and towards refugees, de facto as well as de jure (by legal definition)."

The government, eager to encourage community groups such as JIAS to sponsor immigrants, has been "responsive" to JIAS's concerns so far, Abrams said. Formal submissions to the federal employment and immigration department, as well as the solicitor general's office, will be made shortly, he said.

Other immigrant groups in the past year requiring particular attention by JIAS have been those from Ethiopia and Iran, where the Jewish communities are in jeopardy.

There are now 85 Ethiopians Jews living in Canada, almost all in Montreal, Abrams said. It's the largest such community outside Israel and Africa.

They started to arrive in mid-1983 under the Canadian government's refugee program in Africa and continue to come in small groups, he said. Most of those here the required three years have become Canadian citizens, and a few are Canadians by birth.

Although the majority are young, the Ethiopians' adjustment to Canadian life has been difficult, and they remain concerned about relatives still in Africa with whom they wish to be reunited, Abrams observed.

About 60 Iranian Jews settled in Canada last year and another 50 more are now in Europe being processed for immigration to Canada, Abrams said. JIAS is sponsoring most of them.

At least 500 Iranian Jews have immigrated to Canada, the great majority choosing Montreal as their new home, since the Islamic revolution. Many are young people who have left behind parents.

Israel, U.S. sign pact for VOA transmitter

By JOSEPH POLAKOFF

WASHINGTON — American and Israeli officials recently signed a 25-year agreement at the White House for the construction and use of a giant radio relay station to be built in Israel's Negev Desert for broadcasts of the Voice of America, Radio Free Europe and Radio Liberty to three continents.

The broadcasts will be directed by RFE and RL to Eastern Europe and the Soviet Union and by VOA to Central Asia, Central and East Africa and Southern Asia, this reporter was told by spokespersons at the U.S. Information Agency, which includes VOA.

No broadcasts will originate in Israel. They will be initiated by RFE and RL at their stations in Munich, West Germany, and by VOA in Washington. It is understood VOA broadcasts will enter the Soviet Union's southern Asian areas populated largely by Moslems.

RFE and RL will use up to 10 of the 16 transmitters of 500 kilowatts each and VOA up to six. The station will have 22 antennae, a satellite earth station and related equipment. The projected cost is estimated at between $250 and $300 million. An Israeli contractor will build the station which will use U.S.-made transmitters and antennae.

Complete construction, which is to begin immediately after the agreement is executed, is expected to take five years but broadcasts will be transmitted as equipment is put into place. Upon completion, about 100 persons will be employed there.

The Negev station construction is part of VOA's world-wide modernization program. Other new stations are in varied stages of completion in Thailand, Sri Lanka, Botswana and Morocco.

The project is to be jointly funded by the VOA and the Board for International Broadcasting, a quasi-official organization that controls RFE and RL. The two organizations have set up the U.S. Broadcasting Entity which will coordinate the use of the facilities by VOA, RFE and RL.

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Peter A. Crossgrove

The Toronto General and Western Hospital Foundation is pleased to announce the appointment of Peter A. Crossgrove as Chairman of The Generation Fund.

The Generation Fund is a 34 million dollar campaign to establish a sustaining fund to support the capital needs and the development of medical research at two of Canada's foremost acute care teaching hospitals — Toronto General Hospital and Toronto Western Hospital. In 1986, the two hospitals merged to become The Toronto Hospital, Canada's largest health-care facility.

Mr. Crossgrove will be assisted by Generation Fund Vice-Chairman Fraser M. Fell, Q.C., R. Fraser Elliott, Q.C., Chairman of The Toronto General and Western Hospital Foundation, Thomas G. Bolton, Mary Connacher, Anne Crookston, Fredrik S. Eaton, James W. McCutcheon, Q.C., Alfred Powis, Joseph L. Rotman, Andrew Sarlos, Dr. Hugh Scully, W. Vickery Stoughton and Marie A. DunSeith.

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Leon Oziel was active in many facets of the Sephardic and general Jewish community of Canada and Israel. The premature departure of our guide in the prime of his life leaves a deep and everlasting void in our lives.

His life will remain an example for all of us. We express our profound condolences to his mother, wife, children, brothers, sisters and the entire Oziel family.

May the Lord comfort them among the mourners of Zion and Jerusalem. May his memory live on as a blessing.

We will all miss him.

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World-National

Portugese diplomat paid price for helping Jews

Mendes family struggled to straighten record

By
JANICE ARNOLD

MONTREAL —

Almost half a century later, the courage and humanity of one man whose conscience led him to defy his own government and help thousands of Jews fleeing Nazi persecution is receiving long overdue recognition.

In 1940, Aristides de Sousa Mendes do Amaral e Abranches, the Portuguese consul-general in Bordeaux, France, issued some 10,000 transit visas to Jews seeking refuge in Portugal, against the orders of Portuguese dictator Antonio Salazar.

Portugal was neutral during World War II, but the right-wing Salazar was a friend of Hitler and issued specific instructions to his emissaries not to give visas to Jews.

The price was high: Mendes escaped the punishment of the advancing German army, but not that of his homeland. For his disobedience, he was dismissed from the diplomatic service after a 30-year career and barred from practicing law.

Once well-to-do, Mendes died penniless and in disgrace in Lisbon in 1954, despite his efforts to have his good name restored.

After his death, Mendes' 14 children took up the struggle to set the record straight. One of the most active has been his son, Philippe Mendes of Montreal, the only member of the family to settle in Canada.

Last month, the nine surviving Mendes children finally witnessed justice for their late father. Portuguese President Mario Soares personally bestowed one of his country's highest honors, the Order of Freedom, posthumously upon Mendes at a ceremony at the Portuguese embassy in Washington.

"There's an old saying and tradition in Portugal that the nation awards the best of its sons very poorly. We have here a tribute to a man who honored his country then and honors us now," Soares said at the ceremony.

Daughter Joana Mendes, who still lives in Portugal, accepted the medal on behalf of the family, expressing their joy at the realization of their longtime quest, but urging that a similar commemoration take place in Portugal in order that Mendes' own people, especially the younger generation, understand his place in history.

Then Israeli Ambassador Meir Rosenne and Portuguese Ambassador Joao Pereira Bastos also attended, along with California Congressmen Henry Waxman and Tony Coelho, the only congressman of Portuguese origin, who have been especially active on behalf of Mendes.

Philippe believes the symbolic reinstatement of his father to the diplomatic corps would be an appropriate further gesture by the Portuguese government, and Soares has, in fact, indicated that some type of homage to Mendes will take place in Portugal this November.

Although the family is not seeking financial retribution from Portugal, the establishment of a foundation in their father's name to develop educational materials or to reward acts of compassion would ensure his heroism would not be forgotten by the world, Philippe said.

Friends of the family have made such suggestions as naming a street in Jerusalem for Mendes and the issuing of a Mendes postage stamp in Portugal.

Philippe's brother John Abranches of Dublin, Calif., has played a key role in attracting attention to their father's case. It was Abranches who circulated a petition to Soares last year for an official apology, and who succeeded in gaining the support of over 70 U.S. congressmen as well as the Jewish community in that state for the family's campaign. The U.S. House of Representatives passed a resolution in honor of Mendes last year.

Philippe Mendes displays a photo of his father who was the Portuguese consul-general in Bordeaux during the early war years. The brochure cover bears a reproduction of Sousa Mendes' signature on the tens of thousands of visas he issued. [Howard Kay photo]

Mendes, who was once the consul-general in San Francisco, is becoming known as the "Portuguese Raoul Wallenberg," with the comparisons being made with the Swedish diplomat in Budapest credited with similarly using his office to save the lives of thousands of Jews. The important difference is that Wallenberg acted with the blessings of his government and is a national hero in Sweden today.

In May 1986, the International Committee for the Commemoration of Aristides de Sousa Mendes was established with offices in Oakland, Calif., and Jerusalem, largely with money contributed by John Abranches, an architect, and Philippe Mendes, an engineer, who at 56 and 59, respectively, are among the youngest of the Mendes offspring.

This month, John and Philippe will be in Jerusalem themselves for a ceremony at Yad Vashem where their father will be made an honorary citizen of Israel. Twenty years ago, Mendes was posthumously presented with the Righteous Gentile award by Yad Vashem, the Holocaust authority, for his deeds.

There have been other events recently including one in Toronto last November, in which Canadian Jewish Congress and the Federation of Portuguese Businessman and Professionals sponsored a tribute evening for Mendes where Secretary of State David Crombie presented Philippe with a commemorative medal.

Philippe was only 12 and living in Portugal in 1940 when his father issued the visas, but the story is as fresh as ever for him. At his home in the West Island suburb of Roxboro, Philippe keeps copious files of his father's case, lovingly sorted.

Philippe has lived in Canada since the 50s; like most of his brothers and sisters he left Portugal at his father's urging that they start a new life elsewhere.

Bordeaux, in southwest France near the Atlantic coast, was flooded with several hundred thousand panicking refugees from other parts of France and Europe in the spring of 1940 — Jews and others running from the German army as it moved westward. During a 2-week period Mendes, assisted by his two eldest sons, issued an estimated 30,000 visas, bearing his signature, to refugees seeking a haven. About a third were Jews.

They wanted to cross into Spain and onto Portugal from where they hoped to sail to safety.

Although a devout Catholic, Philippe said his father felt a certain kinship with the Jewish people because of a family legend — never proven — that the Mendes had Jewish ancestry as descendants of the Marranos.

"My father consulted his government on what do with the masses of refugees coming to him. Salazar's response was that under no circumstances was a visa to be issued to a Jew," said Philippe.

Believing the order was contrary to Portugal's constitution and morally untenable, Mendes followed his conscience and issued the visas, aware of what the consequences would be. Mendes once said: "I'd rather be with God against man than with man against God."

On learning of Mendes' action, Salazar sent Teotonio Pereira, his ambassador in Madrid, to have Mendes removed from Bordeaux. Mendes refused to return to Lisbon and actually went to Bayonne, France, where continued to hand out visas.

When the Portuguese government tried to close the Spanish border to the refugees issued visas, Mendes personally accompanied the droves to secure their entry.

Upon his return to Lisbon, Mendes was dismissed without a fair hearing and accused of being not only disobedient but a mad man. Philippe helped his father try to have influential persons in government and in the church intercede to have Mendes vindicated — all to no avail.

Philippe's mother died in 1948, he believes, because her health was ruined from the anguish they went through. It was his father's request before he died that his children make the truth known.

Soviet cancer group celebrates first birthday

By
WENDY ROSEN

MONTREAL —

Birthdays are often the time when individuals and organizations reflect on past accomplishments and disappointments before setting new goals.

In that regard, the International Cancer Patients Solidarity Committee, which commemorated its 1st birthday on June 12, is no different.

In a conference call with Dr. Gerald Batist, the Montreal oncologist who co-founded the committee with six Soviet Jewish Refuseniks, three members currently undergoing treatment in the West mourned the deaths of two of their compatriots.

Rimma Bravve, of Rochester, Lea Mariasin, of Toronto and Tatyana Bogomolny, of San Francisco, remembered Inna Meiman, who died in February only three weeks after she began treatment in Washington, and Yuri Shpeizman who died in May of a massive coronary while en route to Israel.

Batist said they also noted how right Bravve's husband Vladimir was at that time when he predicted that "the Russians would keep someone back as a scapegoat ... for being part of a movement that embarrasses them."

That someone is Ben Charny. The long-term Refusenik, who has skin cancer and a critical heart condition, has been told he was refused until 1995, which Batist called "a death sentence."

The committee was expanded last January to include an additional six cancer patients. (Batist said that at least another five are in the process of joining the committee.)

In April, U.S. Senator Ted Kennedy wrote a letter to Soviet leader Mikhail Gorbachev asking for the release of the eight cancer patients (Charny, Shpeizman and the newcomers) which was signed by the entire U.S. Senate.

Batist attributes the issuance of exit visas to four cancer patients, whose names were on that list, to Kennedy's efforts.

"It's quite an accomplishment to get everyone to sign — not all senators signed the letter for Natan Scharansky. It's also significant that a politician who prefers quiet diplomacy would take the initiative of convincing everyone to sign the letter but it's a North American trait to have a biological sympathy for the ill and also for the underdog."

David Zolotnisky, 64, of Moscow, who suffers from lymphoma, and his family have arrived in Vienna. Sheina Schwarz, 65, also of Moscow, received her permission shortly after her operation for breast cancer which has spread to her lungs and brain. Together with her husband, daughter and son-in-law, she has joined her family in Los Angeles.

Dr. Gerald Batist

Breast cancer patient Elizaveta Geishis, 50, of Leningrad, together with her husband and son, who was a Prisoner of Conscience, will leave the Soviet Union soon for Israel. Sophia Bravve, the sister-in-law of Rimma Bravve, has also been told she can leave. The 38-year-old thyroid cancer patient — she underwent surgery last year — and her daughter Elena were granted an exit visa and leave her parents in the Soviet Union.

"Our efforts to convince the Soviets that the Bravve family should be fully reunited have not been successful so far, in fact the family is further torn apart. We wanted them to be a true family before time runs out for Rimma and time is running out for her," Batist said.

In calling the plight of these cancer patients a litmus test of glasnost, he explained that the committee was created as a response to the Refuseniks themselves and predated the new openness. The lobby focused on the urgency of getting the patients out of the Soviet Union and though there have been accomplishments, there have been delays which are critical in the treatment of cancer.

He pointed specifically to the deaths of Meiman, Shpeizman and Michael Shirman, who died in Israel in March after waiting a year for the Soviets to release his sister for a possible life-saving bone marrow transplant.

Batist said the first cancer patient to be released was Bogomolny last September. This was shortly after American Ambassador Warren Zimmerman made it clear in a telephone call with the original six members that the U.S. delegation to the Helsinki Accords review, slated to commence in November, would make the plight of cancer patients a top priority at the talks in Vienna. Canada and many European delegations later added their voices to the call for the release of cancer patients on humanitarian grounds.

Soon after Batist arrived in Vienna with Ben Charny's brother Leon and Rimma Bravve's sister Larrisa Shapiro and mother Khanna Anbinder. They were soon joined by Soviet dissident Yuri Orlov, who had just been released, and Bogomolny.

In a meeting with Gennady Gerasimov, a senior Soviet foreign ministry advisor, Batist gave him a letter to Gorbachev from the patients' relatives. Three weeks later, the Soviet delegation announced Rimma Bravve's imminent release.

Batist said that although Jewish emigration is rising, "you have to look at the situation" where a few human beings only want "to join their relatives to die."

Organizations and People

Appreciate and respect diversity, says Purcell

Educate against prejudice, BB symposium told

By
WENDY ROSEN

TORONTO —

Education is a crucial element in any effort to attack discriminatory attitudes, says the chairman of the Ontario Human Rights Commission.

In a keynote address at Direction 2000, a day-long symposium sponsored by B'nai B'rith's League for Human Rights at York University, Canon Borden Purcell said that negative racial attitudes are learned by children at a young age.

"Children must be taught in school, by the family, in community organizations and religious institutions, to appreciate and respect the racial and ethnic diversity of our society."

Purcell called for the continued removal of racial bias and stereotyping from teaching material as well as curriculum changes to give students the opportunity to explore and determine their role in reducing discrimination and thus enable them to have a better understanding of the problems and achievements of minority groups.

He said that the commission, which this month celebrated its 25th anniversary, has dedicated itself to the goal that all people of Ontario, regardless of racial, religious or cultural background will be made to feel they are part of the Canadian community, and that each has a rich contribution to make to the development and well-being of Ontario.

"There must be continued and concerted effort to re-evaluate the hiring and promotional policies and practices of businesses, to ensure their conformity to the code."

Purcell said that the equality section of the Charter of Rights has propelled Ontario into a new era in human rights.

"There will be many new landmark decisions made by Canadian courts, and human rights will receive the benefit of a heightened awareness of human rights issues in all areas of society," he said.

"In a pluralistic society, equality of opportunity is perhaps too narrow an objective unless it is accompanied by equality of respect for the diversity of which our society consists. Each one of us has an essential role to play in creating a society of mutual respect and harmonious interaction."

Purcell said that while the commission is proud of its accomplishments — Ontario has consistently reviewed and amended its mandate as new human rights issues emerged including a dramatic increase in the number of working women and visible and racial minorities during the 1960s to the current focus on discrimination based on sexual orientation — there is much more to be done.

"Our commission must work harder than ever to educate the public regarding human rights, to promote a climate of understanding and mutual respect, to enforce the law when discrimination occurs and to provide fair remedies to the victims of unfair treatment," he said.

"Few matters deserve the attention of law more than the right of every individual to have access to the opportunity of demonstrating full potential."

Purcell said that it is not that individuals in target groups — women, handicapped and minorities — are inherently unable to achieve equality on their own, but rather that the obstacles they face are so formidable and self-perpetuating that they cannot be overcome without intervention.

"Equality will not happen unless we make it happen.... We must confront our unconscious and conscious fears about our diversity and recognize that it is our greatest strength."

Poll results cited

Peace Now progress seen

By
SAM MAINSTER

TORONTO —

The Peace Now Movement and its ideas have been making significant progress in Israel and the Diaspora, a recent meeting of the Toronto Chapter of the organization's Canadian Friends group was told.

A poll in the spring conducted by Israel's Dahaf Research Institute showed that 66% of Israelis favored negotiations with any Palestinian organization that renounced violence and recognized Israel, said Mark Rosenblum, executive director of Peace Now for North America.

Rosenblum also described the Hebron Conference, organized by Peace Now, where Israeli reserve army officers, representatives of five Israeli political parties and Palestinian nationalists were among the 300 participants.

One participant, he saaid, was Zuyhier El-Rayyes, co-author of the Palestinian National Covenant. Although the covenant calls for the destruction of Israel, it was reported at the conference that El-Rayyes condemned violence and called for a 2-state solution, Rosenblum said.

Mel Shipman, president of the Toronto Chapter, spoke of the growth in support for Peace Now in Canada, saying that when the movement began in Toronto over four years ago, members were "considered traitors within the Jewish community," he said.

"Now we've become a legitimate element within the Toronto Jewish community," Shipman said. He noted that the Toronto Chapter has been able to raise considerable amounts of funding for the Peace Now movement in Israel, including some $13,000 in 1986.

Winnipeggers to staff Project Renewal camp

By
MYRON LOVE

WINNIPEG —

Four young Winnipeggers are going to Israel to staff an English immersion camp for three weeks in July for the city's Project Renewal community of Gan Yavne.

In its efforts to deepen and expand contacts with Gan Yavne, Winnipeg's Project Renewal Committee is helping to organize the English-immersion Kayfiada (day camp).

The first such camp was organized by the Minneapolis Jewish community in its Project Renewal "twin" several years ago and the concept has been adopted by other American Jewish communities since.

The Winnipeg camp will be staffed by counsellors Debra Fleishman, Rhonda Minuk, Ronda Spivak and Karen Worb who were chosen by a selection committee of camping professionals from Camps Massad and B'nai B'rith. The Winnipeg "madrichot" will be assisted by junior counsellors from Gan Yavne itself.

The camp is expected to attract about 40 children in the 12-14 age bracket.

In addition to learning English-language skills, campers will be introduced to North American sports, games and songs.

It is hoped the camp will become an annual event. If all goes well, the Kayfiada will, in two years, be able to use the Gan Yavne community centre complex now under construction.

The centre will provide the town's 3,000 people with a library, swimming pool, theatre and meeting rooms and is a key element in the town's recent development.

Join the Kwinter Team in Wilson Heights!

Monte Kwinter has represented Wilson Heights at Queen's Park since 1985. During that time he has been a key member of Premier David Peterson's Cabinet.

Monte worked to secure grants for organizations and services which serve our community. They include:

- **The National Council of Jewish Women - Toronto Section** received $747,000 to assist in renovating and expanding its facilities.
- **The Jewish Immigrant Aid Services of Canada**
- **B'nai Brith Canada** received $625,000 to construct an addition to its existing facility.
- **The Baycrest Centre for Geriatric Care** received over $5,000,000 to continue serving seniors in our community.

Monte has also been very active within the government. As Minister responsible for both *Consumer and Commercial Relations* and *Financial Institutions* he has undertaken work in a number of key areas:

- Pension Reform
- A review of Ontario's Liquor Laws
- Deregulation of the securities industry
- A review of automobile insurance and plans for a Rate Review Board

As the Member of Provincial Parliament for Wilson Heights Monte Kwinter has worked hard for our community and the people of Ontario. Volunteers are needed to ensure his re-election. To join the Kwinter Team in Wilson Heights, please fill out the attached form and mail it to the address shown, or phone 367-3950.

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Organizations and People

What's New

By
MIRIAM HERMAN

OUR NEW ADDRESS

A reminder that our new address is 10 Gateway Blvd., Suite 420, Don Mills, Ont., M3C 3A1. The phone number is 422-2331.

HOLIDAY DEADLINE

Due to the Canada Day holiday, Wednesday, July 1, the deadline for the What's New and About People columns for the July 9 issue will be moved back to 5 p.m. Friday, June 26. I will be at my desk all that day to receive your calls.

Sunday, June 28

A PROVOCATIVE DISCUSSION

Entertainment and Cultural Connection presents **Zvi Fleisher**, religious scribe, in a provocative discussion on How to Avoid a Religious Rip-Off on Sunday, June 28, at 8 p.m. at Shaarei Shomayim Synagogue, 470 Glencairn Ave.

Everyone is invited (all ages). There will be special tables for singles 21-39 and 39 plus.

Admission is free for members, $2 for guests. Coordinators are **Sandra and Jerry Genesove**.

Wednesday, July 1

SAJAC CANADA DAY PICNIC

On Wednesday, July 1, Southern African Jewish Association in Canada (SAJAC) is having a community picnic for all age groups in celebration of Canada Day. The time is 10.30 a.m. at the Boyd Conservation area (on Islington Ave., north of Hwy 7 near Kleinberg).

For information, contact **Tamara Penn** at 221-4992 or **Gail Reiff** at 445-2571.

And What Else Is New...

MY FAIR LADY

Casablanca Chapter, Toronto Women's ORT, is now selling tickets for the annual trip to Artpark to see the delightful My Fair Lady on Wednesday, Sept. 2, (the week before the long holiday weekend).

For tickets, call **Rose and Lou Chaplick** at 789-2578 or **Rae Prussky** at 493-8323 or the ORT office at 787-0297.

YCC 25TH ANNIVERSARY REUNION

The 1987 summer season marks the 25th anniversary of the Y Country Camp in Huberdeau (Montreal area). To celebrate this milestone in the camp's history, an exciting reunion is being planned, starting off with a cocktail party, complete with refreshments and music, on Saturday, Aug. 29, followed by a day of nostalgia at the camp in Huberdeau on Sunday, Aug. 30.

Ontario residents may call (416) 766-4655 for further information.

BRANTFORD UIA CAMPAIGN

A successful United Israel Appeal campaign meeting was held recently in Brantford at the home of **Ben and Edee Kanter**. Mr. Kanter is the campaign chairman.

The guest speaker, Israeli officer **Yona Gazit**, who was introduced by **Dr. Harold Nisker**, focused on the problems facing Israel financially, politically and strategically. **Leonard Wise** thanked the speaker.

A special video, entitled The Strategic Equation, narrated by **Chaim Topal**, presented an overview of the problems related to the security of Israel.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

The Cancer Treatment Centre at Bayview and Lawrence is an outpatient and radiotherapy clinic urgently in need of help. Caring, sensitive adult volunteers offer an essential support service for staff working in the clinic.

Volunteers work in an attractive modern facility as receptionists, greeters and escorts for patients attending the clinic.

If you would like to be involved with this challenging project and are available mornings or afternoons, call the Volunteer Centre at 481-6194.

CHIN INTERNATIONAL PICNIC

The 21st annual CHIN International Picnic begins its third decade with a kick-off preview on Tuesday, June 30, at Nathan Phillips Square from noon to 2 p.m. followed by the official opening ceremonies on Canada Day, July 1, and continuing July 2, 3, 4 and 5 at Exhibition Place, the Bandshell and the Queen Elizabeth Building from noon to 11.30 p.m. each day.

Over $60,000 in cash, awards, trophies and prizes will be given away during the 5-day event. The fun-filled program will include entertainment, the annual international folklore dance competition, sporting events and competitions, bicycle races, children's activities, a bikini pageant, the Summer Marketplace featuring 200 exhibitors and much more.

Admission to the picnic grounds, events and Marketplace is free.

THE DISCOVERY OF INSULIN

A 4-hour, 2-part mini-series based on The Discovery of Insulin by University of Toronto history professor **Michael Bliss** is being produced by Gemstone Productions, a Toronto firm, for the CBC and Thames Television. It will be aired in Canada in 1988-89 and in the UK in the spring of 1988.

The film stars **R.H. Thomson** as **Sir Frederick Banting; Robert Wisden** as **Charles Best; Martha Henry** as **Antionette Hughes**, the mother of the first child treated by Banting; and **Kate Trotter** as **Edith Roach**, Banting's fiancee. The director is **Eric Till**.

DO YOU LIKE ISRAELI MUSIC?

Do you like Israeli music? The Association for the Soldiers of Israel still has cassettes available featuring the Israel Defence Forces Entertainment Trio.

The cost is $7 each plus $1 to cover mailing. So don't wait another minute! Write to the association at 788 Marlee Ave., Toronto, M6B 3K1, or phone (416) 783-3053.

VOLUNTEERS FOR ONTARIO GAMES

The 1987 Ontario Games for the Physically Disabled are being held in North York July 16-19. Competition will involve blind, amputee, cerebral palsy and wheelchair sports.

To effectively host these games, volunteers are needed to assist with meals, transportation, special events, data processing and scoring.

For further information, call the Volunteer Centre at 481-6194.

PAST AND PRESENT

Monte Kwinter (left), charter member of Aaron Hart Lodge, B'nai B'rith, hosted a reception at his office recently. Kwinter is a past president of the lodge and was the first president of Toronto Regional Council. With him is Joseph Varadi, director with Inducon Design/Build, the new president of Aaron Hart Lodge.

at the jcc

The JCC North-East Valley Singles Network is holding a Games and Trivial Pursuit "Drop-In" evening on Saturday, June 27, at 8.30 p.m. at the NE Valley, 7015 Leslie St., upstairs party room. This is an informal evening, so dress to be comfortable and enjoy mingling with old and new friends. The charge of $3 members, $5 non-members includes refreshments. For further information, call **Sally Kerbel** at 889-0813.

Circle Thursday, July 2, on your calendar. That's the date of the Rooftop Party being held at the Bloor JCC, 750 Spadina Ave. (at Bloor) from 7-11 p.m. There will be a deejay and refreshments. Tickets at $8 JCC members, $10 non-members may be obtained in advance at the Bloor Y or the north Y, 4588 Bathurst St.

for seniors

The JCC Singers, under the direction of **Esther Ghan Firestone** assisted by **Sara Barkin Sandler** at the piano, continues entertaining mainly seniors at hospitals, nursing homes and friendship clubs as well as societies and at functions. Recent performances at the Kielcer Society, Beth Sholom Synagogue and Congregation Habonim were enthusiastically applauded.

If you are a senior and wish to add singing to your hobbies, you may like to join this versatile choir. You need not read music. Just come to rehearsals on Thursdays from 9.30-11 a.m. in Room 221 of the Jewish Community Centre, 4588 Bathurst St. For enquiries and bookings, call **Betty Kohn** at 663-7508.

LZA Seniors Club meets daily at the Borochov Centre, 272 Codsell Ave., from noon to 4 p.m. Light lunches are available. Members enjoy an afternoon of cards, chess and shuffleboard...Every Tuesday morning at 10, the Cultural Circle discusses a topic of current interest. On June 30 **Albert Bainerman** will talk on The Jewish Cultural Renaissance After the Chernovitz Conference.

Jewish Community Centre Senior Adult Services invites you to square dance during the summer with callers **Ted Freeman** and **Frank Pearson** at the JCC, 4588 Bathurst St., beginning Thursday, July 9, through Aug. 27, from 7-9 p.m. Cost is $10 for eight sessions (purchase in advance) or $2 per session (pay at the door). For information, call **Teme Kernerman** at 636-1880, ext. 232.

On Thursday, June 25, **Earl Bales Seniors Club** presents the Vaudevillians All Star Variety Show, an evening of laughter, song and dance at Earl Bales Community Centre (in the park at Bathurst and Sheppard) at 7.30 p.m. Admission is free for members, $1 for non-members...Dance to the music of a live band from 8-11 p.m. on Saturday, June 28, at Earl Bales Community Centre. The charge is $3 members, $4 non-members. Refreshments will be available. **Anne Soren** is chairman and **Sylvia Plant** is co-chairman assisted by **Mary Gregg**...Bus trips to Elmira on Tuesday, June 30, and Elora on Tuesday, July 21, are for members only. The cost of $9.75 for each trip includes light lunches and refreshments...A trip to the Catskills is being arranged for Aug. 17-21.

Beth Sholom Seniors next meeting, complete with entertainment and refreshments, is set for Tuesday, June 30, at 7.30 p.m. at the synagogue, 1445 Eglinton Ave. W. Please note that meetings after that will return to the regular Wednesday dates. For information, call the vice-president and publicity chairman, **Eve Donsky**, at 782-1068.

Shaarei Shomayim Friendship Club invites you to an afternoon at Cullen Gardens on Monday, July 13. Buses leave at 9.30 a.m. The cost is $9 members, $10 guests. Early reservations are a must...The Catskill trip to the Homowak Hotel is almost filled and is a wonderful way to spend a summer holiday...Early reservations are recommended for the trip to Israel with a difference in early November arranged in cooperation with the JCC Senior Adult Club...For information and reservations about all these trips, contact **Lena Sugar** at 785-5773 or **Ruth Eknowitz** at 224-5923.

The Workmen's Circle Social Club meets for lunch and bingo on Tuesday, June 30, at noon at 471 Lawrence Ave. W. For information, call **Shirley Grotell** at 222-7727.

The JCC North-East Valley Club Chaverim, 7015 Leslie St., has meetings every Monday afternoon (excluding holidays) from 1-3 p.m. Come out and join this congenial group for bingo, games, movies, speakers and entertainment. For more information, call **Sally** at the Valley office at 889-0813.

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The Sunday program on June 28 at 2 p.m. features the movie Yentle. Admission is $1 members, $1.50 non-members.

The Friendship Circle for people over 55 and on their own will meet on Thursday, June 25, at 7 p.m. in the music room. Come and air your views at a lively debate on a subject chosen by the members and also meet new friends. This is for members only and the charge is $1. For information, contact **Norma** at the centre at 225-2112.

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MEN'S FASHIONS

Baycrest Centre's Men's Service Group (MSG) members Dr. Arnold Katz (left) and Murray Kirsh strut down the runway modelling the latest in men's wear from The Promenade at a Meet the Stars fashion show featured by ther MSG at its annual dinner and dance at the Wagman Centre. Other stars who modelled included North York Mayor Mel Lastman, former Metro Toronto Chairman Paul Godfrey, and film personality Al Waxman. The MSG, with more than 1,800 members, is a fund raising and service organization of Baycrest Centre. During the evening, long-time MSG volunteers Johnny Miller and Moe Freedman were honored as Men of the Year, and Ted Waldman received the President's Award.

JUDAISM CONCLAVE

Barry Pockey (left), Oshawa, and Aaron Gawza, North Bay, reflect on speaker's point of view at the recent Pincus Fund, conclave on Judaism, organized by Canadian Jewish Congress, Ontario Region. Twenty-two high school students from 12 communities in Ontario participated in a program of lectures, games, films, and Jewish trivia at Camp Moshava.

Organizations and People

About People

ORT APPOINTMENT

Women's Canadian ORT has announced the appointment of **Sonia Shron** as executive director of the Toronto region.

Sonia Shron

Mrs. Shron comes to ORT with an extensive background in Jewish communal service. For the past nine years she served as assistant director of Lake Ontario Region of B'nai B'rith Youth Organization.

As executive director of Toronto Women's ORT she will be responsible for the welfare of all the chapters in Toronto as well as coordinating regional activities.

BETH TZEDEC MEN'S CLUB

The Beth Tzedec Men's Club executive for 1987-88 is headed by president **David Singer** with **Izzie Light,** chairman of the board; **Max Reiken,** 1st vice-president; **Maxwell Joel,** 2nd vice-president; **Leonard Palter,** treasurer; **Julius Kirschner,** corresponding secretary; **Larry Rachlin,** recording secretary; **Mike Marks,** financial secretary, and **Bill Gazer,** immediate past president.

David Singer

SISTERHOOD OFFICERS

Beth David B'nai Israel Beth Am Sisterhood's recently installed new slate of officers include **Ida Charney**, president; **Daryl Beber, Gloria Dadoun, Barbara Grimson, Evelyn Kruger** and **Sharin Reynolds**, vice-presidents; **Cynthia Bielak**, recording secretary; **Frimette Grosman** corresponding secretary; **Rose Haspell**, dues secretary; and **Phyllis Wasserman**, financial secretary. **Judy Silver** is the immediate past president.

singles events

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By Membership Only Party for professionals and university grads. Saturday, July 18th. The Adelaide Club. For membership information call: High Society — 783-8520.

Beth Tikvah "Chai" Singles Group (35 and over) will be going to the races, at Greenwood, on Sunday, July 12. We'll enjoy an exciting evening sitting at an elegant glass enclosed dining room overlooking the track and the racing action. A marvellous buffet, taxes and gratuities are included in the $23 admission. Parking available. For more information and reservations, please call Barbara (494-5516), Rose (226-1854), or Issac (925-6572). Absolute deadline for reservations and payment is July 5.

Metro Toronto Singles Presents Dance at the J.C.C. Valley, Sunday, June 28, 8:00 p.m., 7015 Leslie St. Cover $6.00. 222-7111 Sid.

Metro Toronto Singles Presents Big Thursday Weekend at the Concord Hotel. July 9-12. For Booking information 222-7111 Sid.

J.C.C. N.E. Valley Singles (35-50), Gala Trivia Night. 7015 Leslie St. (upstairs). Saturday, June 27, 8:30 sharp. $3.00 members, $5.00 non-members. Refreshments. Sally 889-0813 or Fran 731-5664.

EZRATH NASHIM FUND RAISER

At a recent fund raising event for Ezrath Nashim, the Jerusalem Hospital for Psychiatric and Geriatric Treatment and Rehabilitation, held at the home of Lili and Arnold Friedman (right), the guest speaker was Dr. David Greenberg (2nd from left) director of the hospital's outpatient clinic. Also in the picture are Lena Sugar (centre) president of the Toronto committee, and Shula Robin, coordinator. Proceeds of the evening were chanelled directly to research in Alzheimer's disease. For further contributions and information, call 630-4253.

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Mount Sinai Cemetery
Wilson Avenue
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Organizations and People

JVS marks 40 years of accomplishment

By
CYNTHIA GASNER

TORONTO —
Amid warm greeting of mazel tov, more than 150 staff and board members, social service executives, political representives, and community leaders gathered recently to celebrate the 40th anniversary of the Jewish Vocational Service of Metropolitan Toronto at the agency's Louis L. Lockshin Building on Tycos Drive.

Festively decorated with multicolored balloons and potted spring flowers, guests toured the bright and spacious offices, meeting rooms and workshops sipping wine and munching on sandwiches.

With the pride of a father attending his child's graduation, Max Enkin, the founding president of JVS, greeted many of the guests.

Commenting on the agency's success, Enkin, who was born in 1901 in Russia and immigrated to Canada in 1905 said, "I think this is wonderful — they have built well and soundly, and they are making a great contribution to the community."

Enkin, who was a partner in Warren K. Cook and later founded Cambridge Clothes, one of Canada's most prestigious menswear manufacturers, noted that when JVS was founded in 1947 there were three people on staff — "today we've grown to more than 70."

Reflecting on his volunteer activities, he told The CJN, "I enjoyed being a part of this community. I always got more out of the work I did than what I gave to it."

David Rubin, president of JVS from 1984 to 1986, and chairman of the 40th anniversary celebrations, said he was introduced to JVS through the Young Leadership Training Program of the Toronto Jewish Congress. He joined the JVS board shortly after he was called to the bar in 1966.

"It has been a worthwhile experience to be associated with JVS. I feel that — those who enjoy the benefits of our society have an obligation to devote their time as volunteers."

Beverly (Javasky) Lyons, a partner with Laventhol & Horvath Chartered Accountants, echoed the same message. The mother of two children, both under 6 years of age, is a vice-president of JVS, and on the executive committee of TJC chairing the Social Services Subcommittee on Budget and Finance.

She said, "We feel a strong commitment to the community and feel we are very fortunate — and should give something back to the community."

In the Jewish community, said Lyons, JVS has an educational counselling program for more than 6,000 day school students headed by Ruth Borchiver who joined the staff in 1965.

Sandy (Berholz) Wise, a career and group counsellor with JVS noted that she joined the staff of JVS in 1964. "I've spent half of my life here — it's like a family. It provides opportunity for growth and professional development, caring and friendship."

While touring the Vocational Rehabilitation Centre Workshop, Wise explained that the workshop is for the emotionally disabled — a short term work assessment program that helps people get back to the world of work with support from rehabilitation counselors. It includes a clerical training unit and electrical and packaging assembly lines.

During a ceremony to unveil a plaque honoring the past presidents of JVS, Rubin said that the agency was formed in 1947 to help Holocaust survivors arriving in Toronto.

JVS, he noted, is a non-sectarian agency, operated under the auspices of the Jewish community. It offers comprehensive vocational and educational counselling through four centres. He added that financial support is received from TJC, the governments of Ontario and Canada and the United Way.

Bringing greetings from Ontario Premier David Peterson, Monte Kwinter, the provincial minister of consumer and commercial relations, reflected on an era when servicemen and women were returning from the war and looking to assimilate back into civilian life and when thousands of Holocaust survivors were coming to Toronto searching for emotional and financial assistance.

"JVS took all these people in and provided not only psychological support but found them jobs and enabled them to carry on with their lives."

Kwinter presented Sandra Brown, current president of JVS, with a plaque from Peterson and the Ontario government congratulating the agency on 40 years of outstanding service to the total community.

In her response, Brown, a member of the executive of TJC and CJC, past president of the Bialik Hebrew Day School and the first woman to head the organization, said JVS can look back at its wonderful past performance, "but we do not continue operating effectively if we do not address the needs of the future."

She noted that the agency is studying what areas of service must be undertaken in the next few years. She emphasized that changes are taking place in the community "and we are coming up with new programs that will address those particular needs."

Unveling the past presidents' plaque, Enkin recited the prayer, "shehecheyani vekiyemanu ve higeyanu l'zman hazeh. We thank the Almighty that we have seen this day and this remarkable growth, from a small seedling to a great and mighty oak."

Some of the staff members joining the celebration included the executive director Bernard Berger, the staff coordinator for the 40th anniversary Eydie Troper, David Cohen, Deanna Parenson, Vivian Pullan, Fran Giddens, Rosalie Shadlyn and Anne Moranis.

Some others toasting JVS were, Jack Kosoy, Joan Lipson, Sylvia Lockshin, Annette Rapoport, David Moukley, E. Manning Sprackman, and Robert and Edith Hall.

Max Enkin, founding president of Jewish Vocational Service of Metropolitan Toronto, unveils a commemorative plaque containing the names of past JVS presidents as Sandra Brown, current president, and Monte Kwinter, Ontario minister of consumer and corporate relations, looks on. [Graphic Artists photo]

David Rubin, a past president of Jewish Vocational Service and chairman of its 40th anniversary celebrations; Eydie Troper, staff coordinator of the event (left); and Ruth Borchiver, director of education at the JVS Counselling Centre tour the agency's Vocational Rehabilitation Workshop. [Graphic Artists photo]

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Organizations and People

Better than confrontation, says educator

Explain Shylock effects, seminar told

By
PAUL LUNGEN

TORONTO —
Studying one of literature's great classics has led students to develop feelings of self-consciousness and the hope their cultural group will remain "invisible" in classroom studies, a Toronto educator said recently.

Informing teachers about that effect of the Merchant of Venice instead of confronting them is more effective in dealing with the problem of stereotyping, said Enid Lee, supervisor of race and ethnic relations for the North York Board of Education.

Lee, speaking to a seminar focusing on youth and education, was one of about 25 panelists tackling the broader topic of "the challenge of human rights and race relations" at a conference sponsored recently by B'nai B'rith's League for Human Rights.

The 1-day conference was hosted by the League as part of the 25th anniversary celebration of the establishment of the Ontario Human Rights Commission. The League is a national agency dedicated to combating racism and bigotry.

Other topics addressed at the conference, entitled "Direction 2000," were hate propaganda and racial discrimination, influencing and responding to the media, employment and systemic discrimination, accessing government and the political process, community action and visible minorities and ethnic women.

Lily Munro, Ontario minister of citizenship and culture, in delivering the keynote address repeated the provincial government's throne speech promise "to strengthen the Commission's ability to combat systemic discrimination and to help ensure all residents enjoy equal opportunity for employment and fair treatment in the workplace."

She said the government was also proposing to "establish a race relations directorate to promote racial harmony and help address the needs of racial minorities."

Munro noted that 1986 changes to the Ontario Human Rights Code brought it into conformity with the Canadian Charter of Rights and Freedoms. Those changes allow the Commission to deal with discrimination due to sexual orientation, pregnancy, accommodation for people 16 and 17 and those with children, sexual discrimination in sports and lack of physical access for the handicapped.

Phil Leon, immediate past national chairman of the League, said the conference "will provide a forum for exchanging expertise and developing tools for future problem solving."

As part of the luncheon program, Leon paid tribute to the Commission and presented its chairm i, Canon Borden Purcell, with an award to commemorate its anniversary.

Other speakers during the day included Lieutenant Governor Lincoln Alexander and Canon Purcell (see separate story this edition).

Made to feel part of community

Disabled praise Walkathon

By
MARTIN KROSSEL

TORONTO —
This year's recent UJA Walkathon saw the participation of individuals with disabilities for the first time due to the efforts of a committee of the Jewish Community Centre's Special Needs Department.

As a result, 11 individuals who regularly attend programs run by the JCC for persons with developmental disabilities joined with over 20 Reena Foundation clients to walk the route. Three people covered the course in wheelchairs, and one individual who was visually impaired volunteered at one of the checkpoints.

Planning to integrate persons with disabilities into the walk began early. Helen Wolfe, a former staff member of the JCC's Special Needs Department, served on the committee that made arrangements for the event.

Wolfe, who also covered the route in a wheelchair, says the committee was extremely receptive to making the necessary accommodations that allowed those with disabilities to become involved. For instance, a bus that carries wheelchairs was provided along the route.

Each of the walkers from the JCC contingent was accompanied by one of the volunteers that assist year-round with the programs run by the Special Needs Department. Volunteers working along the route and at the checkpoints were also very helpful to the walkers.

At the same time, Wolfe says she did not detect that the persons with disabilities were treated differently from any of the other walkers. She has particularly high praise for Nurit Cohn, staff person for Special Needs programming at the JCC, who put many hours of work into the arrangements for the walk to ensure that everything proceeded without a hitch.

The Reena clients raised over $200 for UJA, with one person, Stephen Rice, collecting over $120 on his own. The people from Reena also help out UJA on Super Sunday.

"It is important that this segment of the community and other Jews see and talk to each other," said Wolfe, a strong believer in this kind of integration.

Her own participation in the walk was an emotional experience: "For the first time I really felt that I was part of the entire Jewish community. That was denied to me when I was a child because of my disability.

"Hopefully, because of events like this walkathon it will be different for kids in the future."

Hamilton walk is termed most successful ever

By
MOURA WOLPERT

HAMILTON —
Last month's UJA Walkathon here was the most successful yet, says Neil Silvert, of his last major assignment here as Hamilton Jewish Federation director of development.

Silvert, who takes up his new duties as campaign director with the Winnipeg Jewish federation on July 2, came to Hamilton in 1984 as a Council of Jewish Federations and United Israel Appeal trainee to assist with the UJA campaign. He was appointed director of development with the Hamilton Jewish Federation a year ago.

Fantastic volunteers, fantastic PR and several surprises were the key to the Walkathon's success, says Silvert.

The surprises included celebrities such as Ken Hobart of the Hamilton Tiger Cats, an elephant from the African Lion Safari and favorite cartoon characters from TV Ontario's Polkadot Door show.

But it was the volunteers — lots of them — who were responsible for making this year's Walkathon so successful, says Silvert.

He has special praise for chairman Marvin Caplan and assistant chairperson Carolyn Molot-Mandel for the "super job" they did and for their "excellent committee," which included David Wright, Howard Katz, Gloria Silverman, Avi Goldstein, Noa Schwartz and Naomi Levy.

About 250 people turned out for the Walkathon. And for the first time this year, the event included a "fun run," which turned out to be a "terrific fund raiser." About 15 runners, among them executive director Sid Brail, participated in the run, which was organized by Sheldon Kumer and Stan Katz.

The afternoon ended with a picnic organized by Pioneer Women and starring Sheba the elephant, who delighted everyone with her tricks and gentle behavior. Also included in the activities was an archery display.

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Organizations and People

NDP candidate has history of community involvement

Pnina Coopersmith seeking a seat in Ottawa

The CJN's pre-Election Watch series on Jewish candidates looks at the provincial riding of Ottawa South in the nation's capital.

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By JEFF ROSEN

OTTAWA —

In the provincial riding of Ottawa South every voter knows their MPP, former Conservative cabinet member Claude Bennett, and he probably knows most of them. However in the next provincial election, Bennett will not be seeking reelection.

In an attempt to capture the seat the NDP is counting on Pnina Coopersmith, who has a long history of political and community involvement in the Ottawa area, to turn her party's fortunes around in the nation's capital.

The riding includes 1,255 Jews, who make up just 1.9% of the total population. This is down from the previous election when Jews accounted for 2.8% of the populace.

Coopersmith is no stranger to the political scene in Ottawa. She is currently vice-president of Ottawa-Centre's provincial riding association and a delegate to provincial council. In 1985 she ran for city council, finishing a strong second with almost 30% of the vote in a 4-way race in which the NDP was not involved

This time out Coopersmith remains confident — pointing to the shift in voting patterns provincially and locally in the last two elections. In the last 1982 and 1985 elections, Bennett finished with pluralities of 6,386 and 1,337, respectively, with the NDP coming in third both times around.

She said that with her riding becoming more urbanized, voting patterns will be affected.

As an employee of the Federation of Canadian Municipalities, Coopersmith has helped develop programs and policies for economic development, municipal government management, housing, the arts and culture, and urban infra-structure. As an urban planner, she has helped conserve Calgary's heritage by encouraging a productive mix of old and new

Pnina Coopersmith

development during the oil boom.

Coopersmith was a founding editor and writer for Ottawa Between the Lines, and has written for The Globe and Mail, Business Quarterly and Canadian Heritage, as well as the ministry of state for urban affairs, Metro Toronto, the province of Ontario, Environment Canada and Parks Canada.

She has lived and worked in such diverse Canadian communities as Toronto, Whitehorse, Calgary and Moose Factory. Currently, she is executive director of the Canadian Water and Wastewater Association, a national organization for the owners of Canada's water and sewer systems.

With her background in environmental issues and municipal affairs, Coopersmith said if elected she will focus on problems with the environmental infrastructure and the property tax system. She said such taxes should not be used to finance education.

Other important issues she sees in the next election include auto insurance, pay equity, child care and education.

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This concludes The CJN's current series on Jewish candidates. The CJN is interested in hearing from any other Jewish candidates in the next provincial election (excluding sitting MPPs) for the purpose of conducting profile interviews. Please contact Jeff Rosen at (416) 422-2331.

Ontario has set aside $420,000 for AIDS education, support

TORONTO —

The Ontario ministry of health has set aside $420,000 in new funding for community-based AIDS education, counseling and support initiatives, Health Minister Murray Elston recently announced.

Proposals are being solicited from existing community-based AIDS organizations, health agencies and other organizations and citizens' groups across Ontario wishing to offer AIDS education and prevention programs or counselling and support services to the communities they serve.

"AIDS poses a very real threat to every community in the province, and community-based efforts are without a doubt among the most effective ways to rally the energy and dedication of volunteers," Elston told the legislature.

"By providing people the opportunity to discuss these issues in familiar settings, we stand a much better chance of educating people about AIDS in a way which will have a positive impact upon attitudes and behavior."

Criteria for submissions were developed by the Ontario Public Education Panel on AIDS (OPEPA) in conjunction with the ministry, and accord the highest priority to programs which would serve those groups most at risk.

OPEPA has been asked to review the submissions and make funding recommendations to the ministry. District health councils will also have an opportunity to review proposals and submit comments and recommendations.

Program guidelines and submission forms are being provided to groups which have advised the ministry or OPEPA of their interest in providing AIDS programs and services at the local level.

Other groups may obtain copies, in either English or French, through OPEPA by dialing 1-800-268-6066 or by calling their local health unit or district health council. Deadline for the receipt of proposals is Aug.

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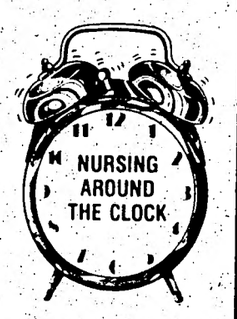

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Activist describes bureaucratic problems

Security check of Refuseniks like a Catch-22

By
WENDY ROSEN

TORONTO —

One Moscow activist charges that the new Soviet commission investigating cases of refusal based on security classification is placing long-term Refuseniks in a Catch-22 situation.

The activist, who prefers to remain unnamed, told Alex Cooperman, of the Russian-speaking Shalom Aleichem Lodge of B'nai B'rith, and Genya Intrator, chairman of the Inter-Religious Task Force on Human Rights, during a telephone call that the commission is forcing many Refuseniks to reapply to their local OVIR emigration office instead of dealing with them directly.

Cooperman, a Russian Jew whose first application to leave the country was granted in 1979 during the last massive wave of emigration, said that the commission was originally established three months ago to deal with Refuseniks who had been turned down on security reasons.

"They struggle to get the terms of their refusal. They're never told how long it will last. Only three people have received a positive response from the commission — Boris Klotz (Holy Blossom Temple's adopted family) of Moscow, Charna Goldort of Novosibilsk and Yakov Gretchanick of Moscow."

Cooperman said that the commission has told about half of the estimated 150 people who have applied for review to reapply. When asked if reapplying is simply a formality, that is, the person is guaranteed an exit visa, the Soviet officials responded that there are no guarantees.

This means that if a long-term Refusenik has managed to obtain a good job — an engineer instead of a janitor — and "is somehow permitted to work," he may think twice about reapplying. Among the documents he must submit to reapply is one from his employer stating he has no objection to that individual leaving for Israel, which could in turn cause problems for that person.

The activist told them that if a Refusenik knows for certain he will soon have permission to leave, he wouldn't care whether Soviet officials had him fired. Without that assurance, she said many Refuseniks may not want to jeopardize their employment status.

Intrator said that many Refuseniks are refusing to reapply because of this real danger in asking the head of the factory or institution, all of which come under the jurisdiction of a government ministry, for the character reference.

Although some Refuseniks, such as former hunger-striker Alex Ioffe, are being told not to apply until 1994, the activist said that the commission has issued no response in the cases of Vladimir Slepak, who has been called the heart and soul of the Soviet Jewry movement, and former hunger-striker Lev Elbert.

"There has been a lot of pressure by people all over the world on their behalf — the Soviets are not yet ready to say yes or no," Intrator said.

The phone call was one in a series that have been sponsored by the lodge, which raised $3,500 from Toronto's Russian Jewish community at its charter ceremony two months ago.

In other Soviet Jewry news, in the first 15 days of June the emigration level reached 358, bringing the annual total to 2,655 compared to 914 in 1986. This 15-day figure is about the same as last month when the total reached 871.

However, Martin Penn, director of the Montreal-based Canadian Committee for Soviet Jewry, said that the figure is not truly reflective of the emigration rate as Soviet emigrees are counted as they arrive in Vienna.

He said the summer holiday season has begun there and tickets to that location are in demand — Refuseniks say there is as much as a 6-week wait for an airplane ticket from Leningrad. The wait in other cities is comparable.

Yuli Edelshtein, a Prisoner of Conscience who was released last May because of poor health, has received permission to leave the Soviet Union with his wife Tatyana and daughter Yulia, 12.

Selma Edelstone, the coordinator of the lobby by his Toronto cousins, said that as soon as they reach Israel — because of the wait for tickets, a mid-July exit is expected — a family reunion will be called and a telephone call placed to them.

"We sent telegrams a couple of weeks ago (to Soviet leader Mikhail Gorbachev and Ottawa Ambassador Alexei Rodionov). Whether that had anything to do with his release, I don't know ... maybe some of the pressure may have influenced them."

Two other long-term Refuseniks have been granted exit visas. They are Elimelech Rochlin, an Orthodox Hebrew teacher, and Leonid Kelbert, a movie producer, both of Leningrad.

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Organizations and People

Israeli health needs reviewed: minister

By
PAUL LUNGEN

TORONTO —
Israel's minister of health was in Toronto last week to visit the Baycrest Centre for Geriatric Care as part of a "studying visit" designed to acquaint her with the Canadian health system.

Shoshana Arbeli-Almozlino also met with Ontario Health Minister Murray Elston, with representatives of the national health and welfare ministry in Ottawa and visited health centres in Montreal during her 5-day Canadian visit.

Arbeli-Almozlino, a member of the Labor Alignment who has held the health portfolio since October 1986, said the workings of the entire Israeli health system are now coming under review. Her goal is to streamline procedures, find ways of utilizing resources more efficiently and make the system more responsive to community needs.

The emphasis in Israeli is on taking health care out of hospitals and putting it into community settings, she said. Shraga Haber, who as assistant director-general of the Israel health ministry's planning department was accompanying the minister, said his impression is that the Baycrest Centre had succeeded in doing just that, with the residents and patients living in the community in which they've spent much of their lives.

Israel recently passed a law enabling the ministry to provide more medical services in the home, Arbeli-Almozlino said, freeing up badly needed beds for acute care patients. As the number of people 65 and over becomes an increasingly large proportion of the population, problems of providing chronic care facilities are resulting, Haber said. The visit to the Baycrest Centre was aimed at discovering how that facility met the needs of its elderly patients, Haber added.

Arbeli-Almozlino said she chose to visit Canada because it has a reputation of maintaining a successful public health system with access for all. Embassy counsellor Gideon Meir noted the minister specifically requested the opportunity to visit the Baycrest Centre because it is known in Israel as a model for health care for the elderly.

Canadian system studied

Arbeli-Almozlino was clearly impressed with Baycrest following a 1-hour tour of the facility: "It's a wonderful centre," she said. "I'm very impressed, not only with the building, but with the people" who work there.

She said her Canadian visit will give her insights that may be applicable to Israel, especially in the area of community medical services.

She lauded the Canadian health ministry for cooperating in providing information about the workings of the Canadian system — from its administration to financing.

Steve Rudin, Baycrest's executive director, said Arbeli-Almozlino's visit was part of an ongoing exchange with Israeli doctors, staff and administrators designed to maintain emotional links between the countries and to provide practical learning experiences.

Prior to her visit to Baycrest, Arebeli-Almozlino met with MP Monique Tardif, the parliamentary secretary to the federal minister of national health and welfare. While in Toronto, she met with Health Minister Murray Elston, who hosted a dinner on her behalf.

Arbeli-Almozlino also toured medical facilties in Montreal and while in Ottawa visited the Ottawa Civic Hospital and Family Medical Centre, the Health Science Centre and the Children's Hospital of Eastern Ontario.

Israeli health minister Shoshana Arbeli-Almozlino (right) gets her blood pressure checked by head nurse Sandra Weisenthal during a tour of the Baycrest Centre as hospital administrator Steve Rudin looks on. [Paul Lungen photo]

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New president plans to continue legacy of Hy Hochberg

Ottawa Vaad Ha'ir head warns against inertia

By
DAVID LAZARUS

OTTAWA —

Stephen Victor ushered in his term as president of Ottawa's Jewish Community Council (Vaad Ha'ir) with a call to build upon its late leader Hy Hochberg's legacy, but with a warning to guard against community "complacency" and "inertia" that has set in since his death two years ago.

Victor, a 46-year-old lawyer who succeeded Gerald Berger following a 2-year term, told 650 community members attending the Vaad's 53rd annual meeting at the Jewish Community Centre that Hochberg "was the man most responsible for making the Jewish community of Ottawa what it is today."

That legacy included the establishment of all community structures under one umbrella body, and the development of "committed, dedicated, and respected leaders."

Hochberg, until his death, served for more than 35 years as the council's executive vice-president.

Victor, addressing his remarks to Ottawa's 10,000-strong Jewish community, warned that "we cannot allow ourselves to continue to reminisce and engage in nostalgia.

"We have patted ourselves on the back too often," he said, "and, in my respectful opinion, inertia has set in — a sense of complacent satisfaction. . . .

"If we allow these trends to continue, our community will not be able to meet the challenges and threats that lie ahead, and our community, as we know it, is in danger."

Hyman Soloway (right) is seen with the Gilbert Greenberg Distinguished Service Award presented to him at the Ottawa Jewish Community Council's 53rd annual meeting. The award was presented by two of Greenberg's children, Robert (left) and Roger. [Howard Kay photo]

Victor praised Berger for his "unique and effective" leadership style that guided the community through a "difficult transition period" following Hochberg's death.

"The community has been well-served by his presidency," he said.

But the community needs "strengthening, revitalization, and rejuvenation," Victor said, while continuing to "cherish and observe the old traditions" that has served it well.

This is especially vital, he said, in light of the fact that 50% of the present community was not born in Ottawa.

The new president said the community's top three priorities are to combat teenage assimilation, to broaden the base of support for the United Jewish Appeal, and to counter the "new invidious anti-semitism of the 1980s."

On the first issue, he cited a "teen dropout from Jewishness . . . losing our teenagers to secularism, assimilation, and intermarriage," following bar and batmitzvahs, often considered "a graduation, not into, but from, Judaism."

Victor suggested the creation of full (Jewish) High schools as a step towards rectifying the problem, as well as stepped-up programs at the Jewish Community Centre of which he is a past-president.

He also invited members of the community who have not donated to the UJA to "step forward, be counted, (and) join the mainstream of Jewish life on our city."

In his closing remarks as president, Berger urged the incoming executive to reaffirm its commitment to the Jewish ideals of community and Israel, and stressed the continuing need for a combined effort in planning a community agenda.

Without coordination, said Berger, a senior assistant deputy minister in the federal supply and services department, the community "won't have control."

Berger praised the community's accomplishments during his term in office. Ottawa is a "unique community," he stated, and will continue to move from "strength to strength."

The meeting, preceded by a community-wide dinner, was also highlighted by the presentation of the annual Gilbert Greenberg Distinguished Service Award to Hyman Soloway, a leader in the Ottawa Jewish community for close to 50 years.

Soloway, an attorney, was cited for his ongoing commitment and contribution to the Ottawa Jewish community.

A senior partner in the law firm of Soloway, Wright, Soloway served as president of the Ottawa Jewish Community Council; president of the Jewish Community Centre; executive member of the Canadian Jewish Congress; president, Ottawa Lodge B'nai B'rith No. 885; and president of the Congregation Agudath Achim and Beth Shalom.

At age 73, Soloway said he was now in the "senatorial stage of life." He said it was a "privilege" to work on behalf of the Jewish community, and would not question the "wisdom" of his selection as recipient. "Far be it from me" to do so, Soloway said.

The Gilbert Greenberg Award, bearing the name of a Vaad past president, is the highest tribute the Ottawa Jewish community bestows upon a member, for exemplifying leadership qualities.

The meeting also elected other officers for 1987-88 including Maureen Molot, secretary; Lorry Greenberg, treasurer; Dr. Eli Rabin, first vice-president; and Bernard Dolansky, 2nd vice-president.

Rabin won his position at an election during the meeting. The other nominee was Dr. Charles Freedman.

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Organizations and People

New UJA campaign director came up in ranks

Mark Gryfe a return on community investment

By
BOB GOTTLIEB

TORONTO —
Mark Gryfe, named campaign director of United Jewish Appeal in January, reflects a unique return on the investment of Toronto Jewish Congress United Jewish Appeal in developing professional communal leadership from within its own ranks and community.

Mark Gryfe

Gryfe, 30, has been involved as a Jewish communal professional since graduating from York University nine years ago. He matriculated through the Hebrew day school system, including the Community Hebrew Academy of Toronto — thus becoming the first local UJA campaign director to be a product of the educational and cultural-communal environment Toronto Jewish Congress has strived to create.

To Steven Ain, executive director of TJC, this fact heralds a signal moment in Toronto's Jewish community affairs. Says Ain: "It tells us that in our role as the central communal organization of Toronto Jewry, we've succeeded in the nurturing and maturing of our own future professional leaders. The dividends are now being realized. I've worked closely with Mark and know his expertise. He can only enhance the campaign in the days ahead."

Within the UJA circle, Gryfe's experience and responsibilities have been diverse, and he fits the mold of the youthful new-wave North American major city campaign directors now predominating, who possess extraordinary dynamics and professional skills in the field of communal fund raising.

Joining UJA in 1978, Gryfe progressed from the position of campaign associate to administrative assistant to the campaign director, and then to assistant campaign director, before taking on his present position.

Over the years he has taken an administrative leadership role in helping shape a range of key campaign components, policies and events.

It was Gryfe who conceived the successful (and now annual) Washington Fly-In program, as well as this year's Toronto Community Mission to Israel, under joint auspices of Toronto Jewish Congress United Jewish Appeal. He also finely honed UJA Super Sunday into the recognized community-wide event it is today, as he did with UJA's Walk for Israel.

As well, he was responsible for initiating the first UJA Student Mission to Israel, and revived the campaign's Young Leadership Mission, a program which lay dormant for 15 years.

Mark Gryfe's perception of UJA being all that it should and must be is "one of a combination of raising Jewish consciousness as well as funds." He is a firm believer in communal involvement and in the spirit of volunteerism — and in educating campaign workers to human need within the Toronto Jewish community, and to the community's close ties with the people of Israel.

Most of all, in the latter sense, he is an advocate of the UJA missions program. Says Gryfe: "There's simply no substitute for being on the spot, to see where a contributor's dollar goes — and the impact it makes in human terms. There's no parallel experience in understanding why we do what we do."

Max Handelman, last year's UJA co-chairman with Adrienne Offman, sums up Gryfe's character as one of "uncanny ability" to cut through administrative bottlenecks, linked to a natural instinct for problem-solving. Handelman also gives the new campaign director top marks for his ability to deal effectively with a diverse campaign leadership, and particularly appreciates Gryfe's unflagging enthusiasm and easy humor. In combination, says Handelman, they make Mark Gryfe a "superlative motivator."

Gryfe is married to the former Pearl Zigler. They are the parents of Naomi and Adam, ages 3 and 2, and are expecting a third child in November.

Former Bialik official wins gold medal in law

TORONTO —
Stephen Pincus has displayed excellence in scholastic achievement as well as dedicated involvement in Jewish community activities in Canada and South Africa.

The 29-year-old former administrator of Bialik Hebrew Day School was awarded the gold medal at York University's Osgoode Hall Law School at its recent convocation.

Stephen Pincus

Pincus was active in the Jewish community of South Africa from where he immigrated to Canada in January, 1982. He was national chairman of the Ichud Habonim youth movement in South Africa and headed the organization's annual summer camp — the largest Jewish youth camp in the world with over 1,200 campers.

Pincus was also the national chairman of the South African Zionist Youth Council, honorary officer of the South African Zionist Federation, delegate to the World Jewish Congress, World Zionist organization general council and World Union of Jewish Students conferences.

In January, 1981, he married Michelle Levine and spent the rest of 1981 as part of a group establishing the new settlement of Kibbutz Tuval in Israel's Western Galilee.

Pincus began the 4-year MBA/LLB program at York University during his second year as Bialik administrator in 1983. When he started the LLB portion of the program, he continued working for Bialik on a part-time basis.

He drew on his Habonim experience in serving as director of Camp Shalom in Gravenhurst, Ont., which was a part-time position during the academic year and full-time during the summer.

"It is a wonderful camp, and the work was a most enjoyable diversion from my studies at Osgoode and the business school," Pincus said. "I don't think that there is any finer way to learn about working with people than by running a camp and dealing with all the concerns of staff, children and parents that such a responsibility entails.

"Unfortunately, I was unable to continue as director as I start articling this summer, but I still take an interest in Shalom by sitting on the camp committee.

Pincus, whose primary interest is corporate law, worked on a part-time basis during the final year in his program at Goodman and Goodman, the firm at which he is now articling.

Among his other academic accomplishments at Osgoode are prizes for standing first in 1985 and 1986 and an award for a paper on causation in tort law to be published this year in the Osgoode Hall Law Journal. As well, his name appeared on the Dean's List for the MBA graduating class.

But, Pincus says, his greatest joy has not been his scholastic successes.

"On May 18, 1987 (soon after I had completed my final set of exams), my wife gave birth to our first child, Daniel. In comparison to the exhilaration I feel on having a son, the degrees and awards pale into insignificance."

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Organizations and People

Sends Israelis to small Ontario Jewish communities

CJC may make its shlichim project permanent

By
RON CSILLAG

TORONTO —
A pilot project that sent Israeli shlichim to small Jewish communities in Ontario was so successful that it will likely become a permanent addition to the community services department of Canadian Jewish Congress, Ontario Region.

Working with shlichim from the World Zionist Organization's Torah and Educational Department, the project was an outreach program that helped Jews in small centres celebrate Shabbat and reinforce their Jewish identity, says CJC's community services director Susan Jackson.

Jackson's department works with eight of the Israelis and their families, who are in Canada for at least three years. "They go on their own time and it really gives these communities a shot in the arm," she explains. "It also brings Israel a little closer to these families."

Over the summer, a group of two Israeli families and their children went to lead Shabbat services in Belleville and Guelph.

In Belleville, which has 20 Jewish families, "It was the first time they opened the Torah since Yom Kippur," says Simcha Ben-Yehuda, a psychologist teaching in Toronto's Jewish day school system. "It was so emotional that even as an Orthodox Jew, I've never seen anything like it."

Belleville has no rabbi or chazzan and Jews there and from surrounding towns, like Trenton and Napanee, are hungry for some sort of religious sustenance, Ben-Yehuda says.

"The program is designed to bring Shabbat to the community as well as to the individual."

In Guelph, which like Belleville has one synagogue, the 60-family strong community celebrated a baby-naming during their Shabbat services.

In both centres, the Israeli families arrived Friday evenings and the men would lead Oneg Shabbat services, while their wives led the local children in Hebrew bingo and singalongs.

Study groups are then conducted and a social program follows. The following day, regular Shabbat services are held.

The shlichim's children, ranging in age from 4 to 8, also get involved, playing with local children and talking about life in Israel.

"We now understand that Jews are responsible for one another," Ben-Yehuda says. "This project makes these communities stronger."

This autumn, Jackson said, the program will be extended to other small communities, beginning with St. Catharines.

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Organizations and People

Program will focus on frail elderly

North York General to open seniors' centre

By
BEN ROSE

TORONTO —
A hospital located in an area where many Jews live is opening a seniors' day centre in the fall, offering a hot meal at noon (if needed), a dental clinic, an exercise program and a van to transport those who have no other way of getting there.

The facility, whose focus is on the frail elderly, will be part of North York General Hospital, but in a separate building east of Leslie on Sheppard, a block from the hospital itself at 2 Buchan Court. The day centre will be on the upper level of the nursing home at that location.

Another hospital unit at the same location, the Seniors' Health Centre is already offering an assessment service and chiropody treatment, both covered by OHIP. About 700 people a month are taking advantage of the chiropody clinic.

Judy Aitken, coordinator of day services at North York General, said a number of Jewish seniors come to the centre for assessment or chiropody treatment.

The new day program will be offered in both the morning and afternoon, she said, and an evening program is planned for "care givers," the daughters and sons who are caring for frail elderly parents in their homes. There may be a nominal charge for the noon meal, Aitken said.

The day program will be phased in and one of its main aims will be to enrich the lives of the seniors who come to it, the coordinator said.

Dr. L. H. Mudie, director of geriatric services at the hospital, thanked Dr. Cyril Gryfe of Baycrest Hospital for his help, noting that "Baycrest is many years ahead of us."

Speaking to a community meeting at the Seniors' Health Centre recently, Mudie said Canada's population is increasing rapidly, with the number over 80 increasing by 100% and those over 90 by 200%.

"There are not enough beds in all the hospitals to care for them and at any rate the quality of life is better at home."

He said an interesting result of the increase in the aging population is that elderly people are being shown on TV commercials, replacing "the young and beautiful."

Mudie said that in terms of medical and other services needed, "we really are talking about those over 70, not the 65-70 group."

The doctor said he is against seniors taking megadoses of vitamins, asserting that he does not take vitamins himself. He said the use of vitamin E is still controversial, and at daily doses of 400 to 800 mg. it may cause leg cramps. The use of vitamin A may cause eye trouble and may interfere with the enzyme system.

He said the taking of vitamin B12 in small amounts in iron tonics may mask the presence of pernicious anemia. "I'm quite surprised that these tonics are still available over the counters," Mudie said.

Later in the meeting, Debbie Beaumont, the centre's dietitian, said seniors should drink 10 8-ounce glasses of water daily, if constipation is a problem. She noted that Mudie had described constipation as the problem that most of his patients worry about.

To reach Judy Aitken at the Seniors' Health Centre, phone 495-1481.

Synagogues profile heightened

Conservatives honor Bass

By
IRENE BERKOWITZ

TORONTO —
Ruth Bass, outgoing president of the United Synagogue of America, Ontario Region, was recently honored by leaders of Conservative congregations who praised her for significantly heightening the profile of the movement's synagogues in the province.

Ratification of the new slate of officers was also on the agenda of the dinner meeting, held at Adath Israel Congregation. Herman Gottesman, past president of Adath Israel, succeeds Bass as president.

The United Synagogue of America, Ontario Region, as the umbrella organization for the province's 13 Conservative congregations, represents 11,500 Ontario families.

Marvin Miller, president of Beth Tzedec Synagogue and Bass' predecessor, referred to her affectionately as the "beautiful human dynamo" who helped the Ontario Region "attain a new stature" under her leadership.

Miller told the audience that during Bass' term, membership increased in several areas: synagogue affiliation with United Synagogue; Mercaz Canada, the Movement to Reaffirm Zionist Conservative Judaism; and USY, the youth organization.

Bass also initiated two lecture series, the Arthur J. Signer Memorial lecture and the popular community series, which drew crowds of 2,500 with speakers such as Chief Reuben Greenberg, the Black Jewish police chief from South Carolina; Robert Clary of Days of Our Lives fame; and Shula Cohen, code name "the Pearl," who worked to free Syrian Jews.

Bass, who has four grown children and two grandsons, spoke of her proudest accomplishment, youth programming. Saying "youth are our flagship," she reported on the revitalization of USY and the recently opened Community Hebrew School.

She then presented a special certificate to 14 individuals who contributed significantly during her term, asking the audience to "please remember, I didn't do it alone."

Honorees, many of whom are accepting new positions in the organization, were Alan Applebaum; Marsha Cohen; Phil Daniels; Linda Kaiser; Cantor A. Eliezer Kirshblum; Jack Rothman; Norma Rubin; Rabbi Phillip Scheim; Rabbi Erwin Schild; Howard Slepkov; Norm Stern; Rabbi Lawrence Troster; Marvin Miller, past president; and Herman Gottesman, incoming president.

Following dinner, Gottesman's new cabinet was installed including: Jules Surdin, Norma Rubin, and Marsha Cohen, vice-presidents; Morrie Adams, treasurer; Linda Kaiser, secretary; Dr. Noam Chernick of London, Harold Nash of St. Catharines, and Marvin Rosenshien of Hamilton, regional vice-presidents.

Before concluding the evening it was announced that Bass will become one of 17 international vice-presidents of United Synagogue of America, the only Canadian to hold such office.

Ruth Bass hands over the gavel of leadership to Herman Gottesman.

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Adapt Jewish values: rabbi

By AVI HYMAN

TORONTO — Jewish education must take the old concepts and apply them to today in order to be relevant, says Rabbi Nathan Lopes-Cordozo.

For Lopes-Cordozo, a professor of philosophy at the University of Amsterdam, being relevant means dealing with "the perplexities of nuclear disarmament, a moral dilemma unheard of until this century.

"Nuclear disarmament is not just a Jewish problem, but Jews can be an example to the world, responding to the great problems of life," said the rabbi, who was addressing an audience at the Ohr Somayach Tanenbaum College.

He told the audience that "there are 50,000 nuclear warheads in the world, an opportunity for destroying the world in three minutes, 20 times over, and while talks are taking place, countries are building even more warheads, making the danger even worse."

Lopes-Cordozo, who also lectures at the Ohr Somayach Tanenbaum College in Jerusalem, presented an analysis of Jewish perspectives on unilateral disarmament (disarmament by only one side.

He said Jewish law states "We have a special obligation to give up our lives" to avoid commiting murder, sexual immorality and avodah zarah (idol worship in its broadest sense), as well as avoiding regimes that would have us break Jewish law simply for the sake of breaking it.

Lopes-Cordozo elaborated that from previous experience, Communist attitudes to religion, particularly Judaism, could be considered either avodah zarah or the philosophy of a regime that would have us break Jewish law.

"There is an interesting precondition, however," he added, citing the Bible, "sanctify my name within B'nai Yisrael, the community of Israel," meaning kiddush Hashem is only acceptable if "there is a next generation who would learn from it.

"In a nuclear war," the Rabbi told the group, "there would be no one to be inspired by kiddush Hashem."

As far as he himself could conclude from Jewish thought, it would be "better to be red then dead."

He said that from the perspective of Jewish agadah (legend), we have nothing to fear.

"Jacob asked God not to grant the wishes of his evil brother Esau," Lopes Cordozo said. As a result, God split Esau's descendants into two powers which are destined to fight each other, neither side winning, forever.

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Organizations and People

Describes approach to new job at Bonds dinner

Inspector-general of banks predicts downturn

By
BEN ROSE

TORONTO —

An economic downturn and a falling stock market in North America were predicted by Michael Mackenzie, Canada's first superintendent of financial institutions in an address to a State of Israel Bonds dinner recently.

Described by chairman Edwin Goodman "as the czar of all federal financial institutions," Mackenzie was making his first public policy address to the Lawyers' and Accountants' Division tribute dinner for Bert Raphael at the Constellation Hotel.

Though he said he avoided any hard-line approach to his new job, Mackenzie made it clear he would not hesitate to use the powers of his office to protect the investing public.

"No other job in the world has such power," Mackenzie, a former partner in Clarkson Gordon, said of the position he fills under Bill C42.

Noting that he was speaking in the "heartland" of financial power in Canada, the new superintendent said he will set up his major office in Toronto instead of Ottawa, "because this is a job that can't be done from Ottawa."

Goodman said the accountants and lawyers present were a fitting audience for Mackenzie's first address. Later a glowing tribute to Bert Raphael was paid by Mr. Justice Douglas Carruthers.

In his own brief response, Raphael said he was "impatiently awaiting" action by the Canadian government to bring Nazi war criminals to trial.

Now holding the title of inspector-general of banks, Mackenzie has been designated to the job with much wider powers by the Mulroney government but his official appointment awaits passage of Bill C42.

"There are signs of changes in the wind in Canada and the rest of the world," he told the audience. "There is the recognition that the economy needs strong, central direction."

Recent events underline the need of "a higher level of professionalism," Mackenzie said.

"It is now clear that one of the fallouts of recent action on the international money market is the international spotlight on Canadian affairs, and people in New York, Zurich and other centres saw things they did not like. This is not good news."

He said Bill C42 sets up one body regulating banks, trust companies and insurance companies and also the securities business carried on by these firms.

Noting that Ottawa is allowing financial institutions into the securities business, he said the federal government has reached agreement with Ontario on this matter and legislation will come later in the year.

"We will have increased powers of supervision. The overriding concern is that each firm meet its obligations to its investors. Access to the system must be free and open with no preferred access. We want safe financial services honestly run and profitable, even though the system risk is very high these days."

After four years of economic recovery in North America, there are some signs that the inflationary process is building again and the public perception of this process will lead to a falling stock market, he said.

Mackenzie said a "worrying factor" is the growth of foreign exchange activity in Canada, with only 5 to 10% of it being trade related. "Accidents are frightening and accidents are happening." There is a fear, he said, that debt loads carried by some countries will become unmanageable.

The problem of Ottawa-provincial agreements on the securities business is, in his opinion, a "manageable" one.

"The heart of regulation is self-regulation,' he said, outlining some approaches his office is taking. He noted, without elaboration, "that civil servants are anti-capitalist."

Outlining factors in safe management, Mackenzie said that nonetheless industry must be profitable to serve its investors.

"In other markets, deregulation has meant winners and losers and this will also happen in Canada."

He said his office is not yet ready to turn its regulations over to the accounting profession. "In a system where deposits are insured, accounting rules should be uniform to all players in the system. We expect auditors to stand well back and use safe methods."

He said it will be necessary to harmonize the approaches of banks and other financial institutions. "We share the view that international competition must be constrained and we are taking an active part in this."

His office's ability to issue cease and desist orders is new territory — for any agency in Canada. "We have no definition of unsafe practice. I hope never to use our power but we may need to when there is no alternative. There are appeal procedures."

He said his office will continue the practice of relying on audited systems in the banks, this being explicit in the case of banks and implicit for trust and insurance companies.

Canada will not be following U.S. action in regard to auditing requirements, but some new documentation will be required from trust companies, he said.

While inflation is still running at 20% in his country, Israel Consul-General Benjamin Abileah said he is hopeful that inflation will be down to the single digit level in Israel by the end of the year.

Accepting a plaque in honor of his fight for Soviet Jewry and general communal efforts, Bert Raphael responded that in 27 years at the bar he has never lost his respect for judicial institutions.

His parents, Hyman and Anne, of Hamilton, were present at the tribute. Raphael has three brothers, Stan of Toronto and Jerry, of Los Angeles, who are lawyers, and Robert of Hamilton.

Bert Raphael's wife, Marilyn, is the president of the Reena Foundation. They have three children, Sheree, Mark and Lisa.

Rabbi Joseph Kelman gave the hamotzi and led the birkat hamazon. The professional introductions were by Alex Serota.

From left: Edwin A. Goodman, Bert Raphael and Michael Mackenzie at Lawyers and Accountants' Division State of Israel Bonds dinner.

Hebrew, Yiddish options proposed

By
JEFF ROSEN

TORONTO —

Jewish parents may eventually have the option of having their children learn Hebrew or Yiddish in the public elementary school system under a proposal by the Ontario ministry of education to expand the Heritage Languages Program.

The proposal consists of five initiatives that call for changes in government policy and support regarding heritage language programs, and that are designed to ensure that all students have an opportunity to study languages other than English or French.

"In developing this proposal we have tried to be sensitive to our multicultural tradition, and to be concerned about providing the best educational opportunities for our children," said Ontario Minister of Education Sean Conway in outlining the proposal.

The ministry of education is now inviting responses to the proposal from parents, school boards and other organizations. Suggestions or comments should be sent to the ministry of education by Sept. 30.

Since the provincial government began funding heritage language classes 10 years ago, it has grown from 42 school boards providing close to 2,000 classes in 30 heritage languages to over 50,000 students to more than 72 school boards offering more than 4,000 classes in 58 languages to more than 90,000 students.

Current provincial legislation permits school boards to offer heritage language instruction to elementary school students enrolled in their schools as a continuing education offering.

If the proposal is implemented, school boards would be required to provide instruction in any heritage language if parents of 25 pupils submit a written request. A program would have to be implemented within 90 days of receiving a written request.

While classes are now offered at the discretion of the school board whenever time permits, the proposal would require that instruction to be provided after school, on non-school days, or during an extended school day.

Rabbi Irwin Witty, executive director of the Board of Jewish Education, told The CJN that the government's initiative is welcome as it will allow all students who wish to learn Hebrew to do so.

He said that while many school boards currently offer Hebrew as part of a heritage language program, the proposal would provide for "equalization of opportunity" in districts that currently do not provide Hebrew.

To encourage school boards to establish heritage language programs under the proposal, the Ontario government would establish an incentive fund to support training opportunities for staff.

A second incentive fund would provide textbooks and learning resource material for students. This would help ensure standards are set for programs.

The Ontario government would also set up a program guide to help school boards and their staff plan and provide heritage instruction. This would assist in developing "quality" programs in various languages.

The ministry of education would also provide incentives for research and for the gathering and sharing of information related to successful practices in heritage language programs.

The government's proposal was announced just as the Standing Committee on Social Development began hearings on Bill 80 which would provide for even greater changes to heritage language instruction in Ontario.

The private member's bill was introduced in June 1986 by NDP MPP Tony Grande and passed second reading in the legislature in December with the support of all three parties.

It would force school boards to provide heritage languages during the school day while allowing them the option of implementing instruction in a third language.

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Winnipeg's Gales receives Bonds B-G Award

By
MYRON LOVE

WINNIPEG —
Donald Gales is a modest man. The former regional chairman (1977-1985) for the State of Israel Bonds Organization in Winnipeg has steadily declined all honors and recognition, but he was finally prevailed upon to accept the organization's David Ben-Gurion Award in recognition of his contributions to Israel and the community.

Donald Gales, holding Ben-Gurion Award, is flanked by Mel Dobrin (right) and Julius Briskin.

The presentation was made in a low key ceremony during a luncheon to welcome Mel Dobrin of Montreal, the new national president of Canada-Israel Securities Ltd. (the State of Israel Bonds Organization of Canada) on his first official visit to Western Canada.

Len Wiener and Dr. Morley Bernstein, co-chairmen of the State of Israel Bonds board of governors in Winnipeg, and Dobrin and Bonds executive vice-president Julius Briskin, also of Montreal, jointly presented Gales with the award.

Another product of Winnipeg's North End, Gales reflects his upbringing in his love of Judaism and commitment to Israel. He was educated at both the Peretz School and Talmud Torah and was active in Habonim early on.

Gales' philosophy is that deeds make ideals meaningful. Within the Winnipeg Jewish community, he has played a leadership role in the Combined Jewish Appeal, was a founder of the Hebrew Fraternal Lodge and the Montefiore Club and served as a director of the YMHA/Jewish Community Centre. He is a member of both the Rosh Pina and Shaarey Zedek Synagogue and of the Masonic Order.

Gales is a founder of Ilot, the settlement development project in Israel's Arava, the Canadian Friends of Ben-Gurion University and its Winnipeg Branch, and the Canadian Technion Society in Western Canada.

He is also a founder and director of Canadian Tennis Israel — a Canada-Israel Committee project aimed at building tennis courts throughout Israel for recreation purposes, a "Builder of Dreams" member of Canadian ORT and a former director of the Hebrew University of Jerusalem.

In the business world, Gales is chairman of Beacon Hill Lodges health care facilities, Settler Savings and Mortgage Corp., Galcor Capital Group and Beacon Capital Inc. He is also an honorary director of the St. Boniface Hospital Research Foundation.

He was praised for devoting his energies and abilities to ensuring the preservation of Jewish institutions locally and ensuring the continued strong support for Israel by the Winnipeg and Canadian Jewish communities.

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Campaign pushes drug-free life

TORONTO —
Young people are encouraged to be drug-free through positive messages about their peers who say "no" in the recently launched National Public Awareness and Information Campaign on Drug Abuse.

"While it is clear that the public is aware of and concerned about drug problems there is less awareness of the strategies that can be used in prevention," says Dr. Joan Marshman, president of the Addiction Research Foundation, an agency of the Ontario government.

"They need to hear messages about drug-free, healthy lifestyles," says Marshman. "Right now our environment is full of messages promoting the use of alcohol and drugs."

The first part of the campaign, "Really Me" targets youth 11 to 13 through television spots.

Dr. Peter Loranger, head of Development and Production in the Foundation's Education Resources Division, says, "Young people need positive reinforcement. The last thing they want to hear is another 'no.' We need to reinforce positive behavior as the right thing to do.

"Raising their self-esteem can help them confidently continue to decide not to use drugs. This is a key step in preventing alcohol and drug problems."

The Foundation's research has shown the extent to which drug use among Ontario youth increases with age. Among grade 7 students (approximately 12 years of age), 47% report having used at least one drug (including alcohol or tobacco) during the previous 12 months. The proportion of drug users increased to 71% in Grade 9 and to 89% in Grades 11 and 13.

Statistics also show that alcohol is the most commonly used drug among all students. Among grade 7 students, alcohol had been used by 43%; 11% reported smoking cigarettes; 5% had used cannabis. Few grade 7 students had used any other drug. The largest increase in drug use occurred between grades 7 and 9.

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Fashion show raises funds for AKIM

By
LORI SMITH

A glittering array of cool summer fashions from Toronto's Canly Too were presented recently at a fashion show given by the city's chapter of AKIM.

The show, which was held at the home of Jacob and Esther Burstein, owners of Canly Shoes and Canly Too, included a buffet luncheon and the pool side parade of fashion.

Roma Buchman, a former president of AKIM and co-chairperson of the luncheon, said that the show raised approximately $4,000 and the money would be used to complete a group home for handicapped adults without parents that the organization is building in Rechovot, Israel.

The 200 women who attended were treated to a look at some of this season's finest fashions from the group of French designers whose collections are represented at Canly Too, a retail adjunct to Canly Shoes which is open by appointment only.

The garments shown included 2-piece pant and top sets in irridescent textured materials; confections of cotton, lace and gauze decorated with rhinestones, cut glass, sequins and studs; tie-dye ensembles in tones of black, grey, brown and beige that featured loose-fitting shirts and pleated pants that tapered at the ankle; knit outfits in this season's popular color combination of brown and black, and intricately designed skirts, jackets and tops in black combined with beige, mustard and royal blue.

In general, the look was very body conscious. Long and short skirts were cut slim and while many of the tops were slightly oversized they featured revealing inserts of lace and other transparent materials.

One of the most interesting aspects of the clothes was the number of garments made up of a combination of fabrics. For example, denim skirts were hemmed with flowing, diaphanous material and trimmed with studs and rhinestones. The result was a look that could be worn anywhere - day or evening.

Esther Burstein, who owns the Canly stores with her husband, Jacob, donated both her home and the clothes and shoes for the fashion show.

Following the show, she said that in the upcoming weeks she would be receiving new designs in the store by six young French designers.

The fashion show and luncheon was just one of many events that AKIM has held to raise funds for the rehabilitation of the handicapped in Israel in the 25 years it has been active in the Toronto area. The group home, which is their most recent project, will be called the Olga and Alex Eisen Home for the Retarded, in honor of Olga Eisen who founded the Toronto chapter.

On November 23, a black-tie dinner and dance will be held at the Constellation Hotel to celebrate the organization's 25th anniversary.

For the woman who wants to remain mysterious, this satin mask by Martha Eisenberg, decorated with beads, shimmering black sequins and topped with exotic feathers of ostrich and peacock is the answer. The dress features a black taffeta bustier with velvet and lurex flocking. The outfit was modeled recently at the opening of Zakura in Toronto. (Ronny Shinder photo)

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Fashion

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By
LORI SMITH

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Stella Nahmani, owner of The French Collection, 253 Eglinton Ave. W., is a Parisian who visited Toronto in 1981 and fell in love with the city. In 1985 she moved here and opened her store.

She says that she is working for her customers. The store is comfortable and clients are free to look, touch and try the clothes. Most importantly though, is the weekly arrival of new designs from Paris.

On a recent visit the store featured an eclectic selection of fashions. Short, balloon skirts were available as were longer, straight skirts. Crinolined garments for evening were shown alongside ruffled designs and body-hugging lycra stretch dresses.

An array of denim garments including bustiers and short skirts with ruffles were available. Nahmani says that she's offering women different ways to wear denim and that the fabric is no longer strictly for teens.

Other garments in the store's collection included unstructured wrinkle linen jackets; blouson air force-style jackets; T-shirts intrictely decorated with studs, rhinestones and drawn designs; cropped T-shirts that accentuated the waist; eyelet bustiers; pareos for the beach; leather and suede garments, and a wide selection of accessories.

Nahmani says that this summer the colors to wear are turquoise, red, peach, pink, yellow, emerald and black and white.

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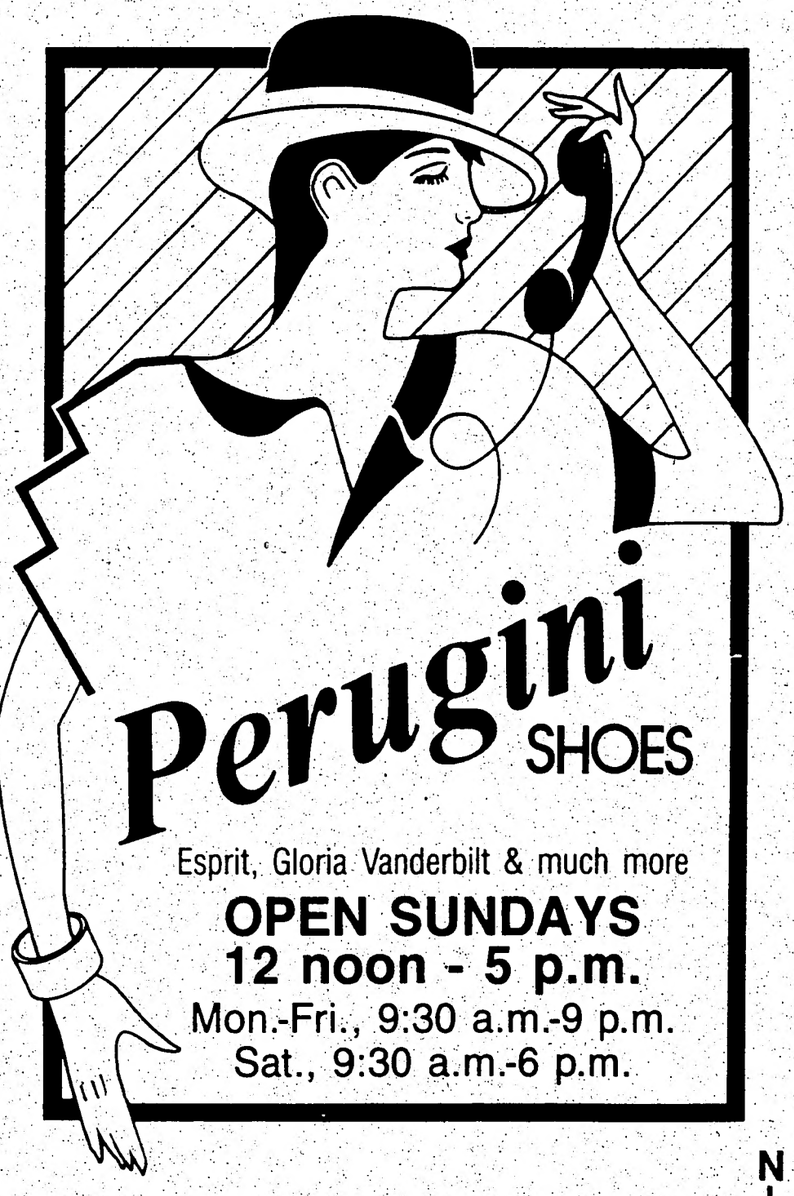

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For fall Creme de la Creme has taken on a new direction under designer, Cecilia Ho. Creme de la Creme fall introduces versatile and sophisticated sportswear for career women, featuring mix and match daywear and after-5 dinnerwear with emphasis on a total coordinated look for every occasion.

This look is achieved by combining unique colors, fabric and styling.

Neutral colors, black, gray and taupe are accentuated with jade, fuchsia and violet. These colors offer the consumer a variety of possible combinations. The colors are also put together in exclusive prints made to coordinate with solid colors.

The prints, "splash" and "opera," done in rayon and polyester jacquard, provide a distinct look when combined with wool flannel, melton, crepe and knit.

Timeless, sophisticated designs with simple clean lines and militaristic overtones are featured along with color and fabric combinations. Important details such as bodyseams, fitted waist and architectural shapes.

With the unique details and combinations of color and fabrics Creme fall provides career woman versatility and elegance to create a variety of looks for every occasion (from work to social functions).

Creme de la Creme is represented across Canada in all areas and is sold in finer stores and boutiques.

Specially-designed bras, shoes

Store carries everything for the woman athlete

By
LORI SMITH

Despite the rapidly increasing number of women participating in sports, many stores still cater primarily to the male athlete.

This was the problem Laney Marshall and Ann Thompson faced when they looked for sport's clothes and shoes.

Marshall says that she and Thompson are both athletes and they found that the chain stores and smaller specialty stores remained male oriented. So, they decided to open their own store: a store that would cater to the sport's needs of women.

Womensports, 561 Mount Pleasant Rd., offers women's courtwear, fitness clothing, running garments, swimming and exercise clothes, warm-up suits, hand weights, sport bras, leisurewear, accessories and shoes for aerobics, walking, running and court sports. With the exception of equipment, it is a one-stop sports shop for women.

Two of the more important items that the store offers are sport bras and shoes specifically designed for women.

Marshall says that when a woman buys a sport bra she should look for one that is made of cotton for comfort and absorption, and she should look for one that reduces motion.

Seven different sport bras are available at the store. They range in size from 32A to 40DD and come in two basic styles: the pull-on halter type and a cupped bra.

The pull-on halter styles, such as the Allsports bra from Jogbra and the Exerciser from Daisyfresh, flatten and reduce bounce and motion. These bras, which are particularly good for running and aerobics, have no clips or hardware that might cause chafing.

The cupped bras, which provide shape and support, include the Formfit Racy, the Sportshape from Jogbra and Soft Confidence from Daisyfresh. They have non-stretch straps and few seams, if any, in the cup to reduce chafing.

When it comes to shoes, Marshall and Thompson have tried to take some of the confusion out of matching footwear to sports. They offer shoes made by Avia, Brooks, Turntec, Reebok and Converse in sizes four to 10 and, if possible, in sizes 10½ and 11.

Marshall says that when a woman comes in to the store to buy shoes she is asked what she wants to use them for, how often she'll be using them and whether she has any special fit needs.

"We try to guide women in their shoe needs and we recommend a crossover whenever it is possible. For example, a woman might be able to wear the same shoes for running and fitness but if the sports she is involved in are running and tennis a crossover isn't possible."

Some of the special features included in this season's line-up of shoes at the store are the "Kinetic Wedge" from Brooks; the cantilevered outsole in the Avia running shoes and the anatomical cradle in the Turntec shoes. Walking shoes from Brooks, Converse and Avia are also available.

Beyond these items, Womensports also offers its customers a wide range of sports clothing.

For tennis, they have a collection of shorts, shirts and dresses in traditional white and in some solid shades such as navy and pink. Marshall says that the dresses are the most popular styles.

"They are flattering and you don't have to worry about the shirt coming untucked."

The store's selection of running clothes includes nylon tricot shorts with cotton liners; nylon tricot singlets with vented mesh bottoms; lycra running tights and plain "Womensports" T-shirts. The mix and match tops and shorts come in a wide variety of colors and are loose fitting and cool.

The fitnesswear at the store consists primarily of more conservative bodysuits in four main styles: blouson on top with form-fitting bottom; sleeveless, cap-sleeved and full-sleeved suits; tank suits and unitards. They all have matching tights and are made of cool polyester-cotton blends that perform well and can be worn and washed frequently.

For swimming, a group of lycra or nylon exercise swimwear by Speedo in sizes 36 to 42 is offered. Marshall recommends the Masters swimsuit, a style that features a formed top, an ample bottom cut and a straight leg line.

The leisurewear collection at the store is made up of pre-shrunk cotton shirts, shorts and pants from Royal Robbins and Woolrich. The clothes, which come in navy, aqua, powder blue, yellow, pink, peach, natural, khaki and royal white solids and plaids, have a generous rise in the pants and shorts that fits women very well. In addition, Womensports offers a selection of warm-up suits.

Marshall says that their goal is to dress women in comfortable, functional, good-looking sports clothes but not at an exorbitant price.

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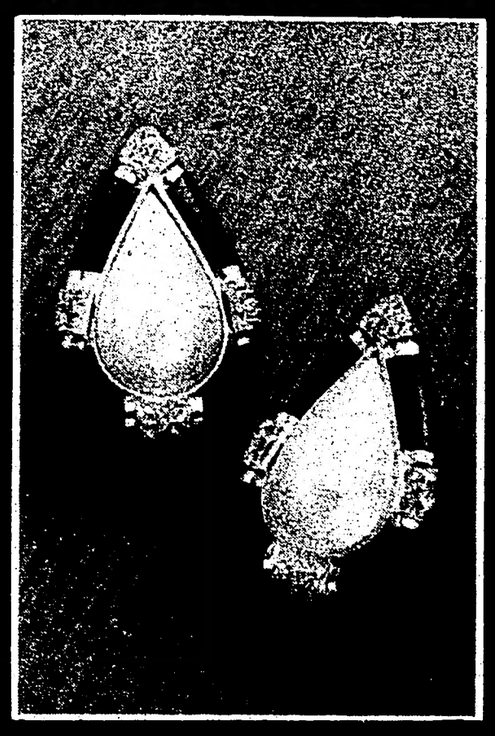
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Surrey Classics caters to busy women

By LORI SMITH

Surrey Classics Manufacturing Ltd. of Vancouver has produced an exciting line of worsted-wool coordinates for fall and winter.

The program, which is designed for the busy, modern woman, includes pants, skirts, blouses, jackets, sweaters and an expanded group of three-quarter length outerwear jackets in plaids, herringbones, solids, jacquards and tweeds. Turquoise, jade, royalist blue, cherry, taupe, black and white are the season's featured color story.

In the skirt line both full and straight styles are available. They range in length from 30 inches for a somewhat shorter, straight skirt to 34 inches. Pleating is a major component of the program and at Surrey all of the pleated skirts are hand torn in order to assure a perfect match of the plaid.

This season, the company's jackets are particularly notable. The classic "missy" styling has been replaced by more exciting, daring, fashionable looks. Single-breasted designs are the rule and both set-in and raglan sleeves are shown.

But, it is in the details that Surrey excels. One short, fitted jacket features inverted pleat detailing. Another longer style has a section of crisp back pleats. Still another is a simple, elegant, buttonless design. And, finally, the new three-quarter length walking jackets are both functional and fashionable.

At Surrey there is a strong feeling for skirts and pants to be coupled with sweaters. Their imported line includes a fine-gauge merino wool group as well as styles in the popular lambswool and angor combination.

The collection features crewnecks, cardigans and modified cowlnecks with beading, sequins and other special details.

Two of the strongest patterns are a trendy animal print and an elegant art deco design. In terms of silhouette the sweaters are all closer to the body and shorter. Most have removable shoulder pads.

On the other hand, the blouses in the line remain relatively loose-fitting. The 100% polyester jacquard prints and spun rayons dominate.

Jerry Tollinsky, the Ontario agent for the line, explains that it is a moderately directional collection designed to suit the tastes and needs of the majority of women.

"We're not trying to be at the forefront of fashion. We're trying to satisfy the middle range of women so our merchandise is affordable and a woman will be able to buy many outfits."

With the exception of its group of imported sweaters, the line is completely domestic. Surrey Classics itself has been in existence for over 30 years and in December, 1986 it became a wholly-owned subsidiary of Mr. Jax Fashions of Vancouver.

Tollinsky says that while Surrey's design and management teams have stayed the same, the influence of Mr. Jax has already proven to be important and positive.

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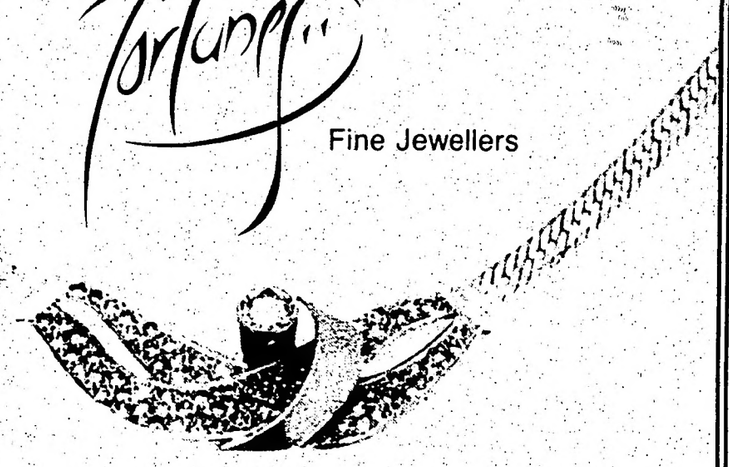
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Jewelry traders offer advantage of quick sale

When the eyes of the world turned to Geneva for the auction of the late Duke and Duchess of Windsor's jewelry, no-one dreamed that it would fetch a record $65.4 million.

An 18-carat gold pocket watch inscribed by the Duke of Windsor sold for $666,900 after being estimated by Sotheby's to sell for $5,980.

You are probably not a Duke or a Duchess, or for that matter not quite as famous, but you still might have some jewelry that you want to sell. Anything from a whole collection of estate jewelry to a single item in your jewelry box can be readily sold.

But would it be wise to try to sell your jewelry through an auction house?

In most cases auctions attract professional dealers and not the private collector. However, if the jewelry has great historic importance, as did the Duchess', private collectors far outnumber the dealers. The collectors usually cause prices to skyrocket and the historic value becomes much more important than the gem value.

But if the jewelry is not quite as grand as the Duke and Duchess of Windsor's, an auction can be unpredictable. Everything depends on the inclination of the crowd that day and there is certainly no assurance that the jewelry will even sell.

Other than auctions and selling privately, there are two other methods for disposing of jewelry: consignment or through a jewelry trader.

Consignment involves taking the jewelry into a major department or jewelry store. The items are evaluated and then put on sale for the evaluated price. Many times the price is far higher than expected.

Items on consignment can often take years to sell, if they sell at all. And a commission is also payable to the store if the jewelry does sell. In the volatile jewelry market, prices can drop substantially, therefore, time is of the essence. So although consignment initially appears to be a good deal, the end result may not be quite so satisfying.

The last method of selling jewelry is through a jewelry or gem trader. Jewelry traders are experts who must have a keen sense of style and history. They are often called upon to give advice or an expert opinion in matters concerning estate jewelry.

"Trading is probably not that well known to the general public," says Ernie Samuel, president of Toronto's Winston Gem Trading Corp., "but to many investors and executors of estates, this is usually the first and only choice for selling unwanted jewelry."

The mechanics of jewelry trading are quite simple. You take the jewelry to the trader's office and arrive at a mutually agreeable price.

Most traders like you to bring in any independent appraisals you might have. The trader will then pay you for your jewelry and voila, you have the cash. Simple.

"Traders buy jewelry to re-sell it" adds Samuel. "At Winston Gem, we go to the international jewelry market, to other traders, or in some cases to the general public.

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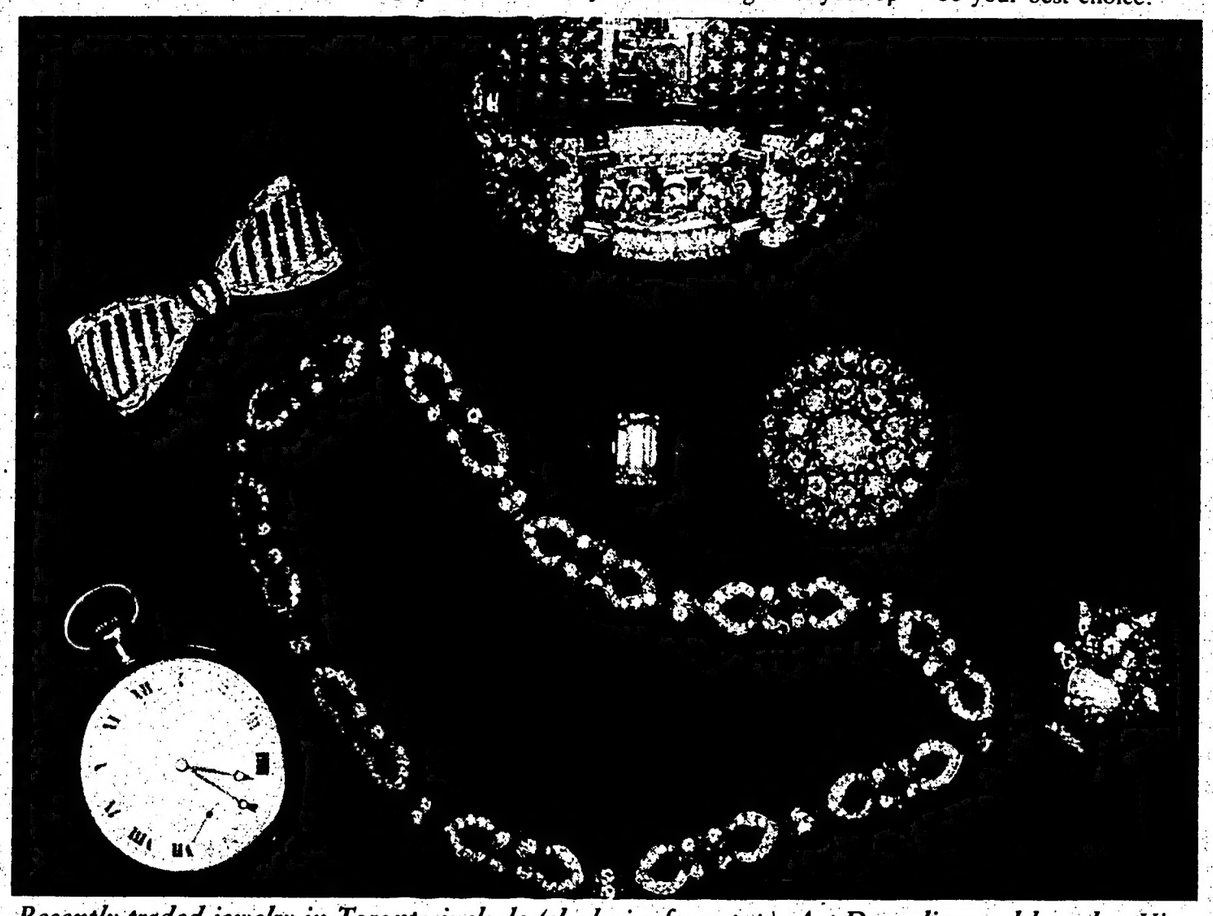
"This is our only business," says Samuel. "Winston Gem can offer a fair price because we need the jewelry to stay in business. Without buying jewelry we do not have a livelihood, so our prices have to be fair."

Jewelry traders have the advantage of giving immediate cash without long waiting periods or costly commissions. So, after considering all of your options, a jewelry trader may be your best choice.



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Arts

Four non-Shakespearean productions at Stratford

Time-tested classics provide entertaining theatre fare

By
FRANK RASKY

CJN critic Frank Rasky picks The School For Scandal, starring the stylishly mannered William Hutt (left), as the best non-Shakespearean classic at Stratford Festival.

Sheila McCarthy is a scene-stealer as Sally Bowles in Cabaret at the Stratford Festival.

STRATFORD — Let's get right down to *tachlis* — Yiddish for "brass tacks" — about the four non-Shakespearean productions that recently opened the Stratford Festival's 35th season.

I'm sure you'll find as stimulating and entertaining as I did this quartet of time-tested classics. The directors have staged each of them inventively and with freshness.

They are filmmaker Ingmar Bergman's pared down interpretation of Ibsen's pioneer feminist parable *A Doll's House* renamed *Nora;* Robin Phillips' sumptuous production of the Richard Brinsley Sheridan restoration comedy of manners *School For Scandal;* Brian Macdonald's razzledazzle version of the Broadway Brechtian musical about night life in Hitler's Berlin, *Cabaret;* and John Neville's updated adaptation of Bertholt Brecht's own polemical masterwork, *Mother Courage.*

Yet I must couple my commendation of this foursome with a warning.

If you're a purist, you may well protest that the meddlesome directors, no matter how brilliantly, have tinkered too much with the playwright's original intent. It's as though a symphony conductor, for the sake of his own creative ego, has taken liberties with the score of a Beethoven and inserted his own musical flourishes.

But then, it may also be argued that each generation is entitled to its own interpretation of a classic. That constant re-examination of our past in the theatre is perhaps what keeps our old favorites evergreen and vibrant. In any case, here's my scoreboard.

I most enjoyed *The School For Scandal.* Probably it's because the director has done the least amount of tampering with Sheridan's scathing lampoon of the humbug, hypocrisy and snobbery of the *nouveaux riches* mercantile class emerging in 18th century England.

The chief exception is the shockingly risque scene that Robin Phillips has introduced at the very opening of the comedy. We see a pack of high-society peeping Toms gawking through the gauze curtain of a cage in which the seemingly nude, newly married Lady Teazle is doing a strip tease.

The tableau of voyeurs thus inserted, however, is excusable. It sets the proper satirical tone for the cast of scandal-mongering, muck-raking vipers we soon meet, bearing such caricatured names as Lady Sneerwell; Sir Benjamin Backbite, Snake and Candour.

The slender plot is a vehicle that allows us to laugh at the expense of these malicious poseurs. It centres on two rich and egocentric gentlemen: Sir Oliver Surface, who disguises himself to test the affection of his pair of nephews, and Sir Peter Teazle, the gouty old former bachelor, who jealously tests the affection of his wayward young bride.

Oscar Wilde once quipped of the polished air of hauteur requisite for artificial comedy: "In matters of grave importance, style — not sincerity — is the vital thing." Douglas Campbell has tempered his usual voice of bottled thunder to portray a delightful Surface.

And his veteran Stratford colleague, William Hutt, Canada's closest equivalent of Sir John Gielgud, is in splendid mannered form as Teazle. "Style largely depends on the way the chin is worn," Wilde's Lady Bracknell once decreed.

With a snap of his powdered handkerchief and an elegant sniff of snuff, Hutt wears his chin very high indeed.

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I likewise enjoyed most of *Cabaret.* Choreographer-director Macdonald, noted for his galvanized and frenetic versions of Gilbert and Sullivan operettas, has here done marvelously creative things for the sleazy chorus line of the Kit Kat Klub.

One of the Kittens is a very funny stumblebum drunk. Another has been outfitted ingeniously with cymbals at her knees.

He has intelligently added to his stage production two of the best songs from the 1972 film version, *Money, Money, Money* and *Mein Herr.* Toronto-born Sheila McCarthy, who has saucy saucer eyes and a pouty mouth and was a scene-stealer as Lady Teazle in *School For Scandal,* doesn't have Liza Minelli's sobby voice and electrifying delivery. But as Sally Bowles, she certainly showed she has that indefinable star quality.

Macdonald's staging is as sleek and glossy as the patent-leather hair and leering cold-cream face of Brent Carver in the role of the artificially ingratiating nightclub emcee.

But, though Macdonald has included goose-stepping Nazis and a tape of Hitler's shrill voice ranting at a rally of his Gestapo bully boys, he has somehow missed the feeling of insidious menace that should be the sub-text of this musical.

I preferred the recent Toronto Limelight Theatre production, starring Tom Kneebone as the emcee who realizes the gathering horror around him and commits suicide at the end.

If you accept Macdonald's production as a fast and funny — and prettified — version of *Cabaret,* **you'll have a good time at his show.**

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It has been said that the famous sound of Nora slamming the door on her husband Torvald and walking out of their house a liberated woman has been reverberating like an explosion ever since Henrik Ibsen's *A Doll House* was first produced 108 years ago.

But Ingmar Bergman felt that too many people today would dismiss it as an oldfashioned feminist tract, as outdated as the cluttered Victorian parlor which was its common stage setting.

Consequently, in his starkly simplistic adaptation of the domestic tragedy, he scrapped one third of what he considered its excess clutter, made it a "dream play" with the action taking place in her mind, and renamed it *Nora.*

I was totally absorbed by Bergman's novel staging of the Ibsen masterpiece. We first meet Nora (creditably played by bubbly Toronto actress Lucy Peacock) on Christmas Eve. She is surrounded by gift toys for her children in an enclosed, claustrophobic living room.

During the course of the play, all five adult characters walk into this circular area, play their parts, and then return to the outer dark perimeter to sit in stygian-black towering chairs.

The atmosphere is gloomy and oppressive. It is supposed to reflect the cast of Nora's mind, as she plays out the role of a seemingly frivolous doll-wife.

She is, in fact, a heroic wife, scrimping and saving to pay off a blackmailer, from whom she secretly borrowed a large sum necessary to save the life of her husband when he was ill and convalescing.

Her husband (also creditably played by actor Joseph Ziegler) is a pompous, patronizing bank manager, who refers to her condescendingly as "my little songbird" and "Miss Spendthrift" and orders her to sit upon his knee as though she were a plaything.

True, it's a dramatically terse, uncluttered play in its pruned form, but it's devoid of the social realism for which Ibsen was famous. In effect, Bergman has thrown out the baby along with the bath water.

He has jettisoned the scenes depicting Nora's devoted relationship with her children. He has also chopped out her traumatic soliloquies indicating her maturation as an adult, which are supposed to prepare us for the climactic scene.

Consequently, we simply don't believe it, when Nora finally stamps out of the house, abandoning her children and her stifling marriage, a mouse miraculously transformed into a lioness. It ends with the spineless Torvald, kneeling in his nightgown in bed, and weeping in bewilderment at the loss of his wife.

Nevertheless, though the director has cut and mangled the drama too heavily, it remains an arresting marriage tragedy that continues to move us.

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I doubt whether Brecht would approve of John Neville's production of *Mother Courage,* **but I know that I do.**

It's the late German Marxist's epic about a feisty, bawdy, hard-bitten cynic — a "battlefield hyena" with a canteen wagon and her three children, determined to endure at any cost.

She and her ragamuffin troupe ramble across 17th-century Europe, making a parasitic living off both the Catholic and Protestant opposing troops during the Thirty Years War of 1618-1648.

She ends the 3½-hour drama, keening a lullaby over the death of her three children, as she hauls the wagon, alone and bereft and barefoot, but still singing her song of defiance and stoically muttering: "I must get back to business."

Brecht believed in absolute realism, stripped of all stage illusion. He so abhored theatrical trickery that he used posters (substituted here by radio announcements), declaring beforehand exactly what was going to happen in each scene.

Yet Neville introduces several stage effects that Brecht would doubtless have considered gimmicky.

The soldiers' warfare equipment is gradually updated, from muskets to World War II machine guns, culminating in a filmed projection, with ghastly sound effects, of a devastating nuclear bomb. Since it is supposed to be a morality play exposing the folly of war, I felt the modernizing devices were quite appropriate.

Brecht also believed in the so-called "alienating effect."

That is, Mother Courage is not meant to be a sentimental Mother Earth figure who engages our sympathy. We are supposed to be emotionally detached from this hard-boiled scavenger. She is so greedy that she bargains too long for the life of one of her captured sons and he is shot by the firing squad, a victim of her haggling.

But as portrayed by Susan Wright, one of our most gifted actresses, she is a plump, sassy, wisecracking survivor with a Manitoba accent, who is immensely likable.

In the play's most memorable vignette, she must pretend not to recognize the corpse of her executed son for fear of incriminating herself. But when she is left alone with the body, she turns her back to the audience, and we see her suggesting her internal grief in convulsive, wracking, silent sobs.

It is a scene of agonizing heartbreak. Brecht, an intellectually dispassionate pedant and propagandist, would not have liked it. But I did, and I think you will, too.

Whether Brechtian or not, it reflected the humanity of the mother, which is timeless and universal in every culture.

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Arts

The Untouchables proves vicariously fun to watch

By
SHELDON KIRSHNER

TORONTO —

The gangsters in *The Untouchables*, Brian De Palma's stylish new film, are dressed to kill.

Now playing at Famous Players theatres, *The Untouchables* is about the select team of federal agents, led by the virtuous Eliot Ness, who nailed Al Capone — the quintessential Chicago mob boss — on the seemingly innocuous charge of income tax evasion.

Thanks to Italian designer Giorgio Armani, Capone and his slimy entourage of killers are so exquisitely clothed that one almost feels a tinge of regret when their snazzy suits are splattered with blood.

And in this hugely enjoyable picture, whose sets match the mood of the Prohibition era perfectly, this tends to happen more than just occasionally.

Indeed, the blood flows liberally from the moment a hapless barber, wielding a sharp razor blade, accidentally cuts Capone, his notorious client, on the cheek.

Based on a snappy, wisecracking script by David Mamet, *The Untouchables* will more than likely be one of the 10 best films of the season. It is not only artful and suspenseful. It is vicariously fun to watch.

Robert De Niro all but steals the show with his brilliant portrayal of Capone.

Here is a man who trafficked in crime and who pretended he was merely a simple businessman trying to scratch out a living.

Capone was much more, of course. He was a ruthless gangland figure who dealt in illegal booze, gambling and prostitution. He raked in millions at a time when a weekly salary of $20 a week was the norm in the U.S.

In the hands of De Niro, Capone is by turns soft and sentimental, crude and vicious. He is like a burning dynamite fuse: You never know when he will explode in a terrible rage.

The film opens as Capone, laid back in a barber's chair, is getting a shave and a pedicure. Obsequious reporters crowd around him, pumping him with tame, playful questions.

Later, at a beautifully filmed banquet scene where he compares baseball to business, Capone suddenly turns on one of his tuxedoed associates, smashing in his head with a swing of his bat, leaving the poor sap to bleed to death.

Capone is similarly violent when, realizing he has lost his case, he shamelessly manhandles his lawyer in front of judge and jury, thereby revealing his true self.

But enough about Capone and De Niro. Kevin Costner, who plays Ness, also rates plaudits. He conveys the sweet innocence and the sheer toughness of an honest, forthright crusader whose chances of busting Capone were about as good as a snowball in Dante's inferno.

Sean Connery, who portrays Malone, the Irish beat cop who teaches Ness the harsh realities of the street, doesn't bring the same savvy to his part. Connery, who is best known to a generation of movie fans as James Bond, has an unfortunate tendency to exaggerate.

Andy Garcia (as the rookie Italian policeman recruited by Malone and Ness) and Charles Martin Smith (the government accountant who first stumbles on the ploy to get Capone through his unfiled tax returns) are both good in their roles.

Thanks to them, David Mamet and Patrizia Von Brandenstein's evocative sets, *The Untouchables* is a really big winner.

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Arts

What is Jewish Theatre symposium

Opinions differ on whether Yiddish theatre is dying

By
FRANK RASKY

TORONTO —
Dramatic conflict is the heart of theatre.

So, *nu*, the sparks were flying and temperaments were colliding in a lively symposium attended by a crowd of well over 100 last week at the Leah Posluns Studio Theatre. The Toronto Jewish Cultural Council had invited them to help debate the question, *So, What Is Jewish Theatre?*

The clash of viewpoints was hottest when a woman in the audience stood up to challenge the programming of Reva Stern, artistic director of the Leah Posluns Theatre, and moderator of the symposium.

The woman said she had cancelled her subscription to the theatre because she was fed up with the "cheap shlock" and "crummy plays in English" it offered.

"Why can't we have real Jewish plays in our Jewish Community Centre?" the woman asked. "To satisfy our taste, we have to watch old movies of Yiddish plays produced in the 1930s."

In a spirited defence of her programming, Stern retaliated: "I'm sorry you've given up your subscription. But I think this theatre *does* produce Jewish theatre."

Stern maintained that the Yiddish dramas produced in New York in the 1930s were directed to ghettoized audiences.

"Yiddish theatre was their escape from their sweatshops and their tenement homes," she said. "It was their education, their culture, their entertainment, their everything."

But those ghetto days were past, she said, "and with all due respect, we can't channel our plays to a Yiddish-speaking audience, because most of our subscribers do not speak Yiddish."

She asked the audience present to demonstrate by a show of hands how many of them had ever attended plays in Yiddish. Those who had *not* attended were in a clear majority.

She said that verified her own experience when a travelling company of Yiddish-speaking actors had been unable to draw an audience to the Leah Posluns for a week.

Over the past 10 years, she said she had tried to produce theatre of "Jewish significance, conscience and flavor" to appeal to every taste, ranging from *Yentl* to *Golda*, from Neil Simon to a musical based on the life of Theodor Herzl.

In doing so, she had used audience surveys as well as suggestions from helpful people and "rude people full of harassment," in an attempt to satisfy Toronto's Jewish community.

"But you can't do a whole season of *Yentl, Fiddler* and Sholem Aleichem," she said. "There aren't enough Jewish-flavored plays to go around. We're always asking: 'Where are our next Jewish plays to come from?' "

Another woman in the audience criticized Stern for not developing and nurturing young Canadian playwrights encouraged to write plays dealing with Jewish themes.

Stern answered that the Leah Posluns Theatre School does indeed encourage Jewish writers. She said she felt passionately about that subject, but as a non-Equity theatre, the Leah Posluns was straitjacketed by its limited budget.

"The bottom line is that we don't have the funds," she said. Her dilemma was summed up in her favorite expression: "It's like trying to get dressed up for the ball when you own little more than a pair of running shoes."

Guest panel member Dora Wasserman, who this year celebrates her 30th anniversary as artistic director of the Yiddish Theatre in Montreal, differed vigorously with Stern that Yiddish theatre was an outmoded art form with a diminishing audience.

"We keep hearing that Yiddish theatre is dying, dying, dying," said Wasserman. "I say it is not. Each year we get new audiences — from young Jewish people and non-Jewish people."

She said that non-Jews were flocking to the Saidye Bronfman Centre to see her Yiddish adaptation of the Broadway musical, *The Rothschilds*. And she maintained that Yiddish theatre could be introduced successfully to Toronto, if it were done by a genuine professional.

"You can't take a piecemeal approach, slowly introducing a little bit here and a little bit there," she said. "To succeed, Yiddish theatre must be as good as any other kind of theatre, all on a top professional level."

Guest panel member Michael Posnick, artistic director of the American Jewish Theatre in New York, confessed he couldn't speak or understand Yiddish. Yet he was able to outline a wide diversity of recent productions which he felt could be described as Jewish theatre.

Among them were Yiddish translations of the Gilbert and Sullivan operettas, *The Mikado* and *Pinafore*, which had done sell-out business in Miami and the New York Catskills.

In Tel Aviv, he had seen an avant garde Jewish theatre group present play collages, using puppets and poetry, dealing with feminist issues, chassidim, the Holocaust, and the cabala.

And in New York, the 92nd St. YM-YWHA was scheduled to stage two extraordinary plays. One was a production of S. Ansky's grotesque classic drama, *The Dybbuk*, not done in Yiddish or Hebrew, but in American sign language by the American Theatre of the Deaf. Another was a 2-character drama in English about the relationship between a Palestinian hijacker and his hostage, a 35-year-old Jewish woman from Boston.

Guest panel member Paul Soles, the Canadian actor who recently starred in *I'm Not Rappaport* at the Royal Alexandra Theatre, said that Jewish plays should not be restricted rigidly to matters of exclusive Jewish interest. That would be as tedious as an actor condemned to playing just one role in his lifetime.

"Rather, by exploring the Jewish experience, we can hope to discover universal truths," he said.

Posnick perhaps best summarized the symposium by quoting Bernard Shaw: "An audience gets the theatre it deserves." Posnick then added: "The Jewish theatre is a mirror of our times, reflecting who and what we are."

Panel of experts at Jewish theatre symposium (from left) are Paul Soles, Riva Stern, Dora Wasserman, Michael Posnick.

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Arts

Sense of Jewish identity remains

Hebrew poetry of Spain shows positive acculturation

books

By BERNARD BASKIN

Wine, Women & Death: Medieval Hebrew Poems on the Good Life, by Raymond P. Scheindlin. Jewish Publication Society, $25.95 U.S.

Jewish life in Spain under the Moslems in the 10th, and especially 11th and 12th centuries, was surprisingly open, full-bodied, rational and creative. The Sephardim created their own Judeo-Spanish language. Many of them were learned, rich, proud of their lineage, worldly wise, and often pleasure-loving.

It was the age of Maimonides — logician, philosopher and doctor; of Hasdai ibn Shaprut, powerful figure in the court of the caliph; of Samuel the Nagid, who combined in his person talmudic and secular learning as well as military genius.

The Hebrew poetry of this golden age was Arabic in style and imagery as well as in form and metre. It is a prime example of positive acculturation. The poets were able to absorb the values of the dominant society without losing their own sense of Jewish identity. Hebrew poetry of a non-religious character underwent an intense development. It did not replace religious poetry but developed with it side-by-side.

The poets used varied themes: friendship, joyous occasions, sorrow, reflections on the world, human aspirations and human frailties. Their compositions in difficult Hebrew are characterized by unusual images, exotic metaphors, and an uninhibited naturalness of feeling.

Raymond Scheindlin, professor of Medieval Hebrew Literature at the Jewish Theological Seminary, has selected 31 Hebrew poems by the most creative poets of the Spanish period: Samuel the Nagid, Solomon ibn Gabirol, Moses ibn Ezra and Judah Halevi.

Each poem is presented in Hebrew, translated felicitously by the author and then interpreted as to its meaning and distinctiveness.

In a poem that is really a clever epigram Judah Halevi writes:

Once when I fondled him
upon my thighs
He caught his own reflection in my eyes
And kissed my eyes, deceitful imp; I knew
It was his image he kissed, and not my eyes!

In a different mood Halevi writes:

Ofra does her laundry with my tears
And spreads it out before her beauty's rays.
With my two eyes she needs no flowing well;
Nor sun needs she: Her face provides the blaze.

Moses ibn Ezra visits a cemetery and muses:

I had the thought to pass the lodging where
My parents and all my dearest friends abide.
I greeted them, but no one spoke. "Have Father and Mother both forgotten me?" I cried.
They heard. Without a word they summoned me,
And pointed out my own place by their side.

Samuel the Nagid comments on the stages of human life:

. . . a man of thirty years
is at his height;
His looks, black hair, and strength are his delight.
When forty comes upon a man he tends
To spend his time among his aging friends.
He puts his youthful daydreams out of sight
When fifty turns his hair and beard to white
A man becomes obsessed with morbid fears
On finding himself arrived at sixty years.
From sixty to seventy, groaning with age and gout,
He sits among the elderly devout.
The eighty-year old man is scarce aware
That Time has caught him in its mighty snare.

Hebrew poetry that developed under Islam constitutes a singular chapter in the intellectual history of the Jewish people.

Yiddish folk music set for Earl Bales

TORONTO —

Fans of mameh loshen will flock to the Annual Open Air Concert of Yiddish Folk Music at the Skylight Theatre Stage at Earl Bales park 7 p.m. July 13.

Featured artists will be Emil Gorovets, celebrated Yiddish singer from New York; Ben Steinberg, noted composer and music director of Temple Sinai with the Temple Sinai Choir; and Jossi and his Orchestra.

The program is being coordinated by Cantor Louis Danto and Hindy Nosek Abelson will act as master of ceremonies.

The concert will be sponsored by the Committee for Yiddish of Toronto Jewish Congress with the assistance of the City of North York and the Toronto Musician's Union Trust Fund.

Organizers are urging people to bring lawn chairs and/or blankets. Because of limited parking, they say, it is advisable to leave cars at home.

In case of rain, the concert will be moved to the Beth Emeth Bais Yehuda Synagogue, 100 Elder St. in Downsview.

Church displays Hecht sculptures

TORONTO —

The work of Toronto teacher and artist Mary Hecht is on display at the Metropolitan United Church (51 Bond) to July 26.

Inspired by biblical and mythological themes, Hecht recently opened the exhibit of nine sculptures by reading from the Bible during the church's regular Sunday morning service.

Instead of a sermon, Rev. Bruce McLeod and Hecht, formerly a lay student at a seminary in Philadelphia, engaged in a question and answer session.

Hecht's participation in the service and the exhibition of her work is intended to foster better interfaith understanding, says church official Marg Norquay who introduced members of the church's outreach committee to Hecht's work while it was on display recently at the Koffler Gallery.

Hecht's sculptures, including pieces titled The History of the Jews and Jacob's Ladder, will be displayed in the west transept, which can be reached by the Queen St. entrance, 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. weekdays; 12 to 3 p.m. weekends.

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MONDAY, JUNE 29

Cellist Desmond Hoebig and pianist Andrew Tunis are heard in two Mideast concerts recorded on tour recently, one from Israel and the other from Egypt; 8-10 p.m. on CBC Radio's Arts National.

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Notices of musical events of community interest should be sent in to Music Calendar at The CJN at least 10 days before issue date; no phone calls, please. There is no charge.

Largest open-air art exhibit planned

TORONTO —

The 26th edition of what is described as Canada's largest open-air art exhibition will be held July 10-12 at Nathan Phillips Square.

More than 500 juried artists from across Canada, the U.S. and overseas are expected to participate in the annual show. Organizers expect some 50,000 visitors.

Last year, more than $10,000 in cash prizes were awarded. This year, judging will take place in the following categories: painting, watercolor, drawing, prints, sculpture, ceramics, jewelry, photography, glass — blown and stained, wearable art, folk art and crafts.

The show is sponsored by the city, province, corporations and individuals. It runs from dawn to dusk, rain or shine outside Toronto City Hall.

For more information, contact Jane Perdue at (416) 967-6149.

The Tempest receives Canadian Indian flavor

TORONTO —

Skylight Theatre, the company that pioneered Toronto's free open-air summer drama under the stars, will begin its 8th season July 8 at 8.30 p.m. with a Canadian-Indian-flavored production of Shakespeare's *The Tempest* at Earl Bales Park, at Bathurst and Sheppard.

Director Lewis Baumander has set the play on the Canadian West Coast on the Queen Charlotte Islands during their colonization.

The cast includes native actors who play the characters inhabiting Shakespeare's island. The design, music and movement of this production are inspired by the native culture of the West Coast.

American actor George Touliatos returns to the Toronto stage to appear as Prospero. Other cast members include Monique Mojica as Ariel, Simon Bradbury as Ferdinand, Jennifer C. Nokes as Miranda and Marvin Ishmael as Caliban.

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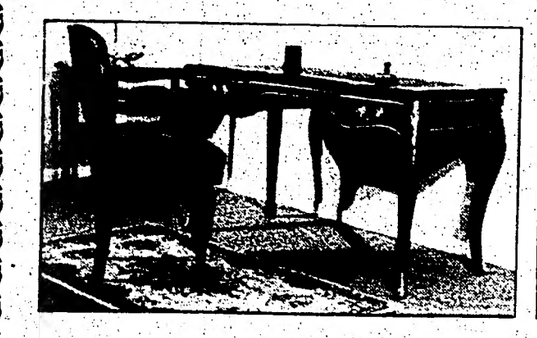

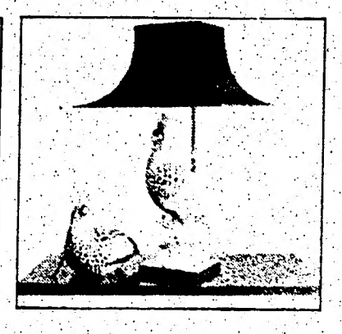

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Arts

In Celebration of Israel concert

Jewish musical program on the bill at Ontario Place

By
MOURA WOLPERT

HAMILTON —
Well-known folk singer and actor Theodore Bikel will sing a selection of his favorite Jewish and Israeli songs at Ontario Place on Thursday, July 2, at 8.30 p.m., when the Ontario Place Pops Orchestra performs a program of Jewish music.

Entitled In Celebration of Israel, this will be the fourth in a series of eight concerts presented by the orchestra under the direction of its founder and artistic director Boris Brott and sponsored by Ford of Canada.

Also on the program will be Toronto composer Srul Irving Glick's The Hour Has Come, which won critical acclaim in New York recently when Brott included it in a program he conducted with the New York Symphony.

A selection by the Beth Tikvah Choir under the direction of Glick, Prokofiev's Overture on Hebrew themes and music from Fiddler on the Roof make up the rest of the program.

The series of concerts began June 12 with the Amazing Live Animal Concert, in which an assortment of live animals from the African Lion Safari pranced around on state to Saint-Saens' Carnival of the Animals and other animal music.

"I thought I wanted to do something exciting and different," said Brott in an interview at his home in Hamilton the day before that extraordinary concert, during which a vulture with a 6-foot wingspan was to swoop down and pluck a piece of chicken from his left hand.

If he was nervous, he didn't let on but Brott, who has just signed a contract with the Hamilton Philharmonic that will bring his tenure as its conductor and music director to a round 20 years, will do anything to bring people to concerts and music to the people.

Ontario Place used to be the summer home of the Toronto Symphony but when it moved to Roy Thomson Hall five years ago, Brott decided "to create an orchestra from the best musicians in the area. It creates summer employment for quite a number of Ontario and Canadian musicians and artists and gives them the opportunity to perform before a mass public."

The season has grown from an initial five concerts to eight this year and is managed by Brott and his wife Ardyth, who is general manager of the Ontario Place Pops Orchestra and his partner in planning and developing the programs.

They work in close conjunction with Ontario Place program manager Lou Seiler and for the first time this year, have a sponsor for the entire season, Ford of Canada.

Theodore Bikel

A bonus for Brott is being able to stay close to home and enjoy the summer with his family, which includes three children, Alexandra, 9, David, 8, and Benjie, 3.

The purpose is to make these concerts "a fun outing for the whole family and accessible to the public," explains Brott. "The concerts are free with park admission and that makes going to a symphony concert something that virtually anyone can do."

The concerts are entertaining rather than educational and the music light classical and pops. "But definitely not schlock," the Brotts emphasize.

And they're always on the lookout for something new and unusual. A concert of Scottish music on Friday, July 17, for instance, will have a pipe and drum corps playing with the orchestra and on Friday, June 24, they'll present a Canadian first when the orchestra will accompany a piano roll of George Gershwin himself playing his Rhapsody in Blue.

The season ends Friday, July 31 with what has now become a tradition, the great musical fireworks program. This will be repeated in Ottawa on August 2 at 8.30 p.m. at the Governor-General's residence, when the grounds of Rideau Hall will once again be opened to the public.

Hobby transformed into livelihood

Brownstone caught acting bug

By
MYRON LOVE

WINNIPEG —
Although she admits she might have liked a crack at Linda Loman in Death of a Salesman, Doreen Brownstone says she enjoys every role she does, and the Winnipeg-based actress has rarely been busier.

This past year, Brownstone has appeared on CBC opposite Cec Linder in a half-hour drama filmed in Winnipeg called All Sales Final, which may be the start of a series. She starred in a local production, called Mom, in March, and she has just finished a leading role in the Manitoba Theatre Centre's season-ending production, The Foreigner. In June, she is filming another show for CBC-TV in Regina.

She may be a bit of a late bloomer, but Brownstone has always been attracted to the acting profession. She remembers arranging concerts on the street and making up plays for her friends to act in as a kid in her native Leeds, England.

When war broke out, she joined the WAF (Women's Armed Forces) and found herself acting with a part-time armed forces touring company.

She came to Winnipeg in 1946 as a war bride. She met her husband at the Balfour Club in London, a club for Jewish servicemen and settled in to raise a family (a son now living in Toronto and two other children in Vancouver).

"We war brides got homesick — we cried especially when the letters came," she said, "but we adjusted."

At first Brownstone pursued her acting hobby. She participated in Jewish Women's Musical Club productions. She was with the Jewish Community Players at the YMHA. Through John Hirsch, she landed a role opposite Gordon Pinsent in the Manitoba Theatre Centre's very first production, A Hatful of Rain, in the late 50s.

Doreen Brownstone

Then came the break.

"I was acting for fun," she said. "At that time, women were supposed to be wives and mothers. I had to be out a lot of evenings and it was hard on my family. I had to give it up."

In the late 60s, with the children grown up, Brownstone started again. First it was the Jewish Community Players. Then Sid Grand's Talbot Players. Then, out of the blue she says, there was an opportunity to audition for House of Pride, a TV series.

"I didn't realize how wonderful it was to be in a national series," Brownstone said. She joined ACTRA and Equity and has been a professional actress ever since.

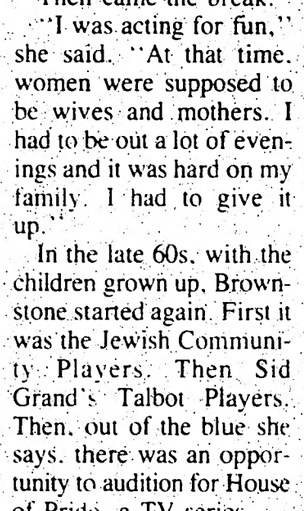
Career highlights include a Winnipeg Broadcast Award in 1983 as Best Actress in a radio drama and two ACTRA nominations. She appeared opposite George Savalas in Prisoner of Second Avenue at the Stage West Theatre in Regina and Winnipeg. Last year, she played Mrs. Beckoff in Torch Song Trilogy in Calgary.

Thus far, all of her work has been in Western Canada. Brownstone has been asked why she never went to Toronto. Her answer is that she needs her friends and that it is easier living in Winnipeg between jobs than it would be in Toronto with its higher prices.

Actually, between acting jobs, she occupies her time giving swimming lessons. "I'm probably better known to most people as Mrs. Brownstone the swimming teacher," she said. She has been teaching swimming for over 20 years, first at the YMHA and, more recently, at the Pan-Am Pool near her apartment.

Her first love, however, remains the theatre. "There's no guarantee I can earn a living acting," she said, "but I love to do it. It's in my blood. The more places I go, the happier I am."

At the rate the jobs are coming in, she shouldn't have to worry much.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Spectacular mountain scenery

Maligne Lake will peak interest

By
JAMES MONTAGNES

JASPER, Alberta — Maligne Lake in Canada's Rockies is one of those deep blue bodies of water you are not likely to forget in a hurry. It is one of the beauty spots in-an area of spectacular mountain scenery.

This travel writer has been fortunate to have visited mountain lakes in many parts of the world, but I just couldn't get over the concentration of mountain peaks I saw on a 2-hour boat cruise on Maligne Lake not long ago. Wherever one looked, there was a new view, glaciers emptying into the lake and new clusters of snowcapped peaks around each turn, their tops covered with fresh snowfalls.

At the other end of the Columbia Icefield Highway is Lake Louise, a blue-green ice cold lake with a sweeping white ice glacier at one end, and surrounded by snowcapped peaks. Human beings as well as the sizeable luxury hotel at the water's edge appear lost in the magnificence of silent spaces.

Don't rush Rockies journey

These are but two of the many sights to be seen along a highway everyone ought to traverse to properly take in the vastness and scenic splendors of Canada's Rocky Mountains. Should you decide to travel the Columbia Icefield Highway — by private car or bus — don't hurry. There is so much to see along the 230-kilometre (143 miles) route.

If you start from the Banff or southern end of the highway, you will stop at blue-green Peyto Lake surrounded by forested mountain, snuggled far down from the road.

A bit further along the highway, park the car and go for a 15-minute hike to see the white waters in Mistaya Canyon. Nearby you can obtain a fishing permit to go after mountain trout, or permits to go for backpacking trips and climb nearby mountains. The Banff National Park wardens want to know about visitors who leave the highway, in case of a climbing accident or meeting up with bears.

You'll know the Saskatchewan River Crossing when you come to the David Thompson Highway going east. Here there is a small hotel with restaurant. Here the Howse, Mistaya and North Saskatchewan Rivers meet with the Saskatchewan Glacier in view and a short hiking trail off the highway to see Panther Falls.

A bit further along you'll pass out of Banff National Park and into Jasper National Park. The two nature preserves cover 17,517 square kilometres (6,764 square miles), about the size of Lake Ontario.

Not far into Jasper National Park you'll reach the Columbia Icefield. Do what everyone there does — take pictures, throw snowballs at each other in mid-summer, or take a tour by tractor coach on the glacier, or start climbing nearby mountain peaks. The Columbia Icefield is the biggest glacier you'll find in Canada.

You will stretch your legs for a walk to Sunwapta Falls and thundering Athabasca Falls, a little further north on the highway. The power of the rivers forming these falls in narrow canyons can be seen as you walk along bridges crossing the rivers as they plunge far below. The potholes in the canyon walls show how the force of the water has worn away the walls. Flowers and small shrubs now grow in rock walls while the rivers foam white far below.

Near Banff the mountain valleys are narrow and the mountains tower close by. In the area near Jasper the mountain valleys widen and individual peaks stand out. Here in summer horseback riding is popular and camp grounds are numerous along the shores of mountain lakes.

Here you are likely to see small and big game animals near the highway, deer and small bears use the road at times. In the open woods you'll see wapiti and elk and larger deer. Along mountain slopes, in many sections of the highway, you may see mountain goats and sheep, clambering the steep slopes and the narrow rocky ledges along the mountains.

And there is plenty of small game about, while birds can be seen as well as heard, with the blue whiskey jack frequently sighted.

Both Banff and Jasper townsites have a number of large and small hotels, ranging from luxury to moderately priced. No longer do the railway companies own the only hotels, some international chain organizations and youth hostels are represented and there are now even some hotels owned by Indians of the region through their band cooperatives.

There are a few local museums of Indian and natural history lore, a variety of dining spots and even some nightclubs.

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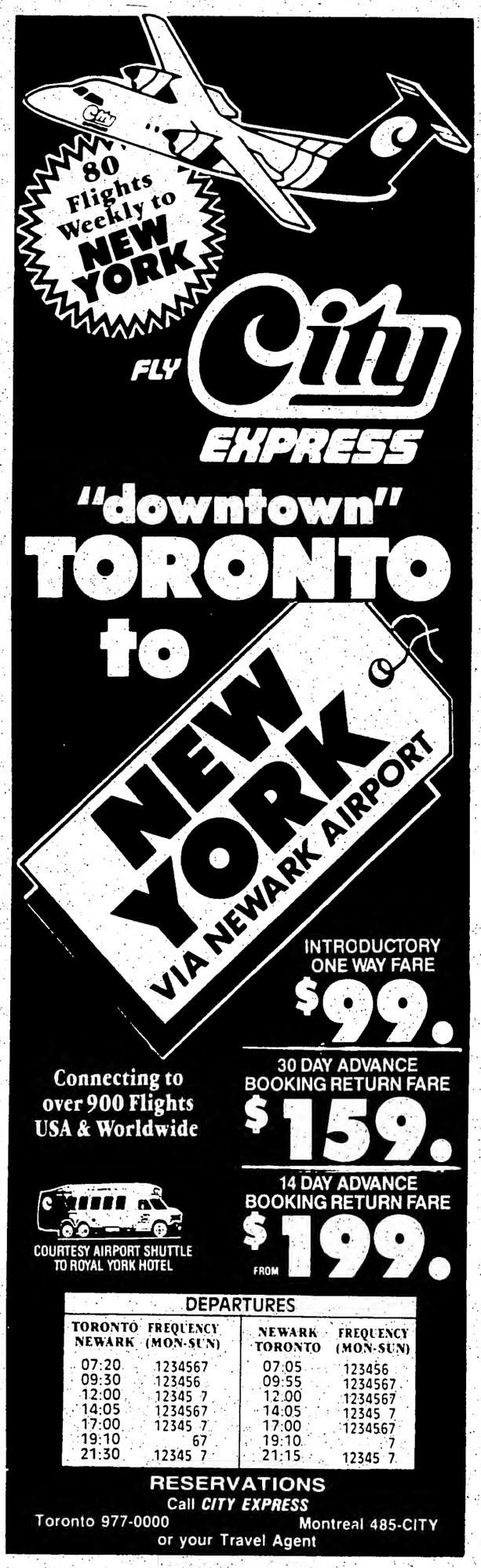
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Travel

UK's East End Festival

Jewish roots rediscovered

By
MAURICE SAMUELSON

LONDON (JTA) —

The East End, this city's poorest and seediest district, has this summer become a tourist attraction as it looks back on the days when it was the hub of Jewish life in Britain and a Western outpost of the Yiddish civilization of Eastern Europe.

Tourists from all over the world and Britain itself are welcome to immerse themselves in a nostalgic celebration of the "good old days" of the East End.

Throughout the East End Festival, there are guided tours of the streets which were once more reminiscent of Warsaw or Lodz than an English city. Historians and former residents are helping visitors to rediscover the Jewish roots in an area where the Jewish masses have largely been replaced by new immigrants, mostly from the Indian subcontinent.

There also is a packed program of talks, exhibitions, plays and concerts, reflecting present-day Jewish culture in Britain as well as the past.

The festival, one of the most intensive and prolonged cultural events ever mounted here, is coordinated by a local environmental trust as part of its policy of raising civic pride. It has the full support of wide sections of Anglo-Jewry which looks back fondly to the rich cultural life of the old East End.

Despite the wholesale emigration of Jews from the East End to more affluent districts, the area still contains a wealth of Jewish memorabilia. Many landmarks were obliterated by the bombs of Hitler's bombers, but numerous synagogues still stand, and some, like the picturesque Sandy's Row Shul, are still in use. Others, have been turned to other uses, either as warehouses or as the sanctuaries of other religions.

Still standing, too, are the sites of the theatres where the Jews congregated to see Yiddish plays or music halls; the Whitechapel Art Gallery, where many a budding Jewish printer or sculptor came to national prominence; and Jewish bakers, butchers and bookshops, which still draw customers from other parts of town.

Of special interest is the exhibition of works by the world-famous sculptor Jacob Epstein, who settled here from America and who, in World War I, briefly joined the Jewish Legion.

The area is also rich in Zionist memories. It was in the East End that Joseph Trumpeldor and Vladimir Jabotinsky came to recruit men like Epstein to fight for the liberation of Palestine from the Turks. More than a decade earlier, Theodor Herzl himself had been received like a messiah by the poor Jewish masses of the East End — in contrast with the cool reserve shown him by the assimilationist "Arch Dukes" of Anglo-Jewry.

The East End was also the teeming home of other revolutionary movements in which Jews played a notable part and which will all be paid due attention in the coming months. Even before the great East European influx of the 1880's, the area had been the cradle of Anglo-Jewry. The jewel in its crown is the 17th century synagogue in a street called Bevis Marks, founded shortly after the readmission of Jews to England by Oliver Cromwell. A smaller version of the Great Sephardic Synagogue in Amsterdam, it still plays its part in the life of British Jews.

Today's visitors to it are following in the footsteps of England's famed 17th century diarist Samuel Pepys, who vividly described the "strange behavior" of its congregation during Simchat Torah, the rejoicing of the Law. A reluctant member of this synagogue was Isaac D'Israeli, the writer and father of Benjamin Disraeli, who left the community rather than serve as its honorary officer.

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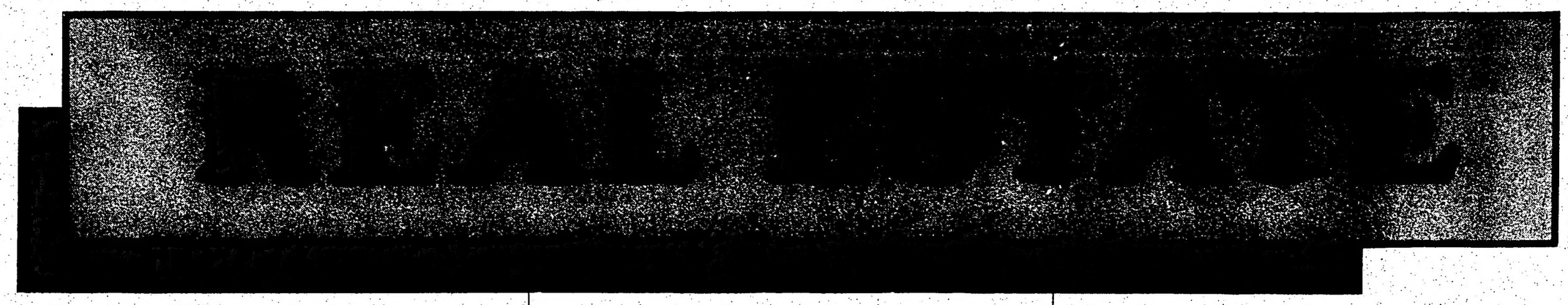

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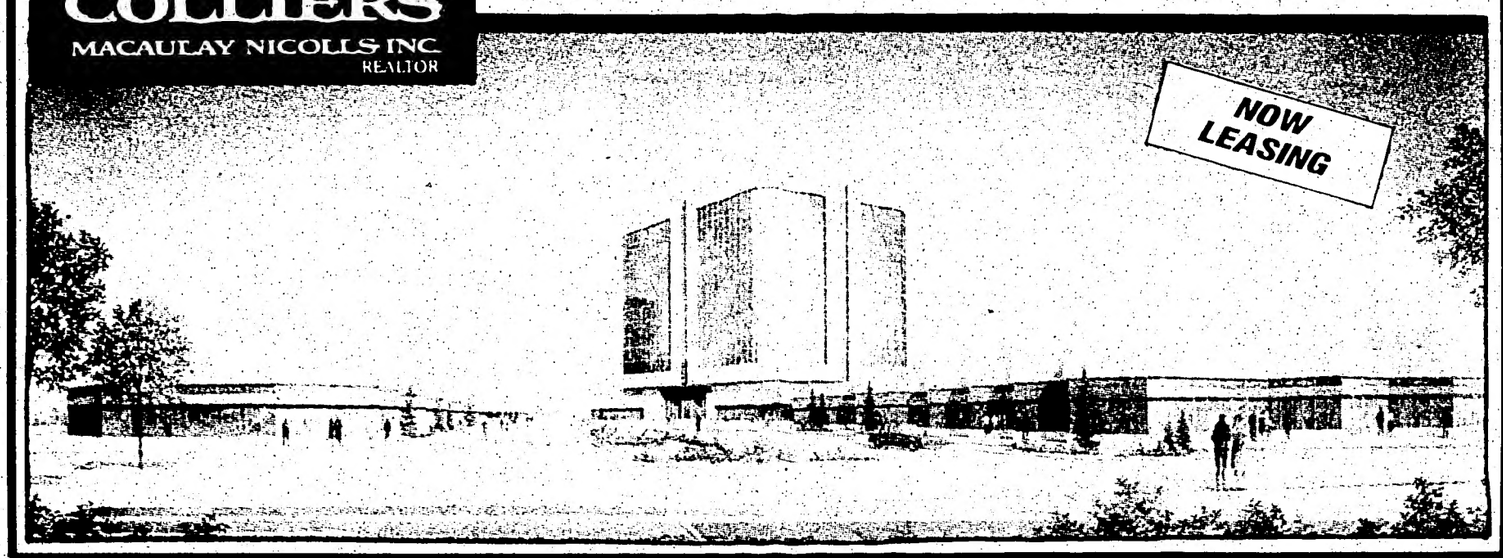

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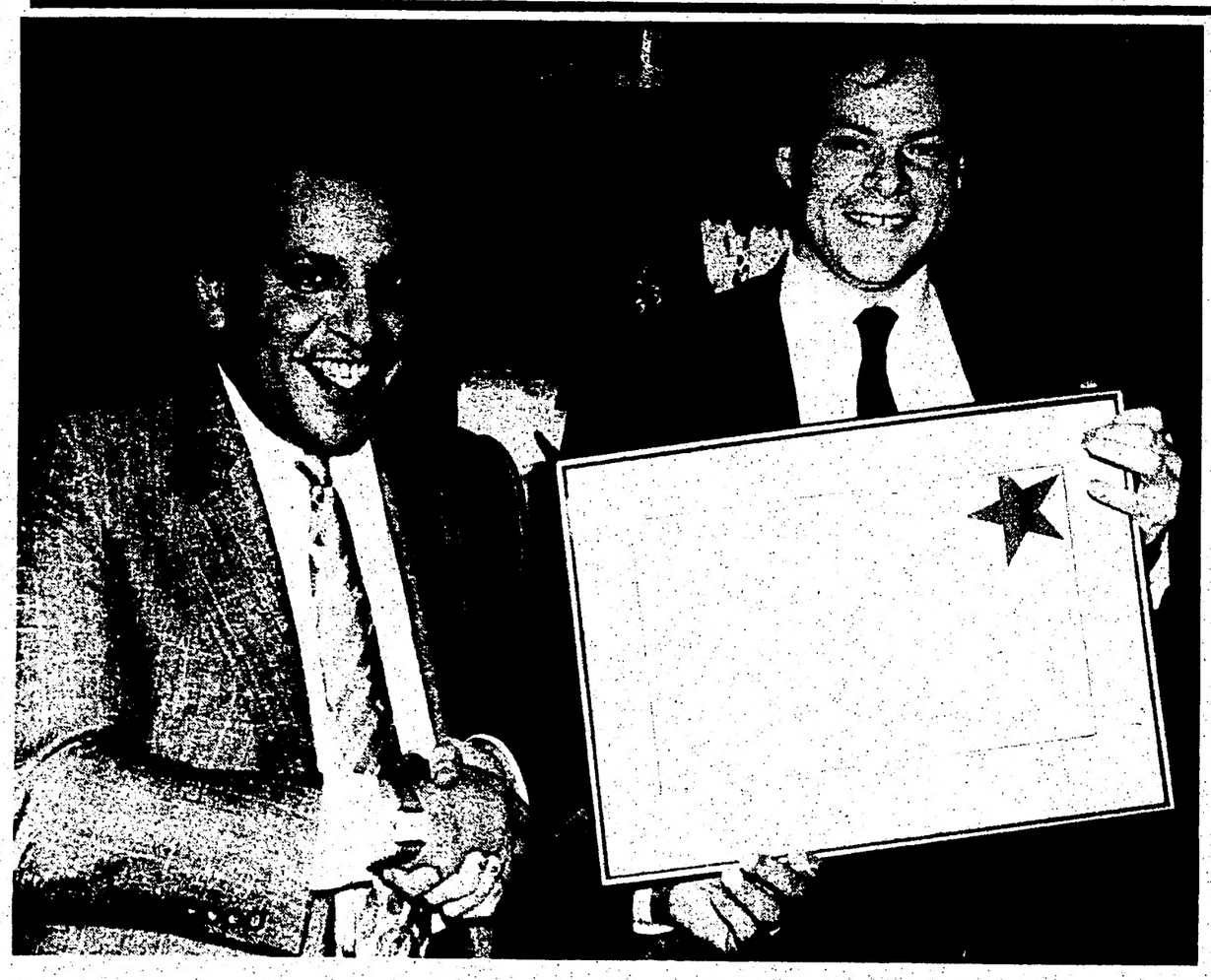

Stuart Winick (left), general sales manager of Martin Atkins Ltd., real estate broker, congratulates Top Producer, Marshall Cohen.

Marshall Cohen named Top Producer

Real estate awards given

TORONTO —

Martin Atkins, president of Martin Atkins Ltd., real estate broker has announced the 1986 winners of the Martin Atkins Sales Awards, named at the annual awards luncheon held recently at the Primrose Club.

Martin Atkins Ltd. is a real estate brokerage firm, specializing in new condominium sales. With the largest market share in Toronto, Atkins' firm achieved a sales volume last year of over 3,000 new condominiums, grossing nearly one half billion dollars.

Earning the Top Producer award, (presented to the individual who produced the greatest number of sales in 1986), was 30-year-old Marshall Cohen.

Cohen, who sold 244 condominiums last year, representing a sales volume of approximately $44 million, was asked what he attributes to his selling success.

"It's both sticking to the simplicity and discipline of the Atkin's selling program, combined with an honest and straightforward approach that has made the difference for me," says Cohen.

He added that the worst pitfall in his selling experience has been inconsistency and he says while selling is simple, it is not easy and there's a tendency to deviate from the established method.

Voted Most Valuable Player, Phil Le Boef narrowly defeated runners-up Robin Tully and Marshall Cohen. Annually, all sales people nominate and elect one individual from among themselves who best reflects the professionalism of the Martin Atkins sales team.

Their talents and willingness to help co-workers, combined with dedication and loyalty to the company warrant this prestigious recognition.

Rookie of the Year, presented to the salesperson who was not licensed to sell real estate prior to the year preceding the awards, was Dora Soberano.

In her first year in the industry, Soberano sold 214 new condominiums, representing a sales volume of approximately 38 million.

In addition to these awards, the Martin Atkins' Honor Roll is reserved for individuals selected by management that exemplify an uncommon dedication, resilience and ability to achieve sales against incredible odds.

Named to the 1986 Honor Roll were Molly Silverstein and Belle Onrot, whose loyalty, ability and enthusiasm were cited as "beyond the call of duty."

"These awards were designed to show recognition and appreciation for sales achievements and professionalism which have exceeded typical industry expectations," said Martin Atkins.

Speaking to salespeople and special guests, Atkins also announced at the awards luncheon that in June, he will open a full service condominium resale office in Yorkville, offering a "state-of-the-art" computerized sales centre with the city's largest resource of exclusive video listings and staff trained to eliminate the time-consuming headaches of searching for the right condominium in the right location.

Atkins predicts a strong resale in 1987. He says the demand for the condominium lifestyle is increasing and many buyers won't buy pre-construction because they want immediate occupancy.

McDonald's of Canada reaches 20th birthday

TORONTO —

From its humble Canadian beginnings in Richmond, BC on June 1, 1967, McDonald's Restaurants of Canada Ltd. is celebrating its 20th anniversary with 525 restaurants from coast to coast.

What other fast food restaurant can boast an outlet at a Canadian Military Base, one in North Pole, Alaska with a population of 3,000 and an outlet on University Ave. that features a lunch hour piano player?

As well as purchasing $400 million in food and paper products from Canadian suppliers this year alone, McDonald's is proud to be Canada's 9th largest employer with more than 50,000 Canadians on the payroll. The restaurant chain is also the largest employer of Canada's youth.

Reflecting on the success of McDonald's over the past 20 years, George Cohon, president of McDonald's Restaurants of Canada Ltd., says "we took a fun food and made it a serious business; we took a serious business and made it fun."

Success is largely due to McDonald's ability to anticipate swings in consumer tastes and interests and always be in the forefront of change. With the introduction of the breakfast menu, in 1976 the company convinced millions of Canadians to eat this meal out.

It has also gained access to non-traditional markets such as zoos, public transit stations and highway gas station stops.

Charity is uppermost on the minds of McDonald's executives and since 1967 they have supported a number of worthy causes. In 1980 McDonald's was a major supporter of the Terry Fox Marathon of Hope, raising more than $1.5 million in donations.

In 1981, the first of 10 Ronald McDonald Houses opened in Toronto to serve families of children who have cancer or other life-threatening illnesses.

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"No shortcuts," health care agency promises

Needs of observant Jews considered with staff trained about lifestyles

By
CYNTHIA GASNER

TORONTO —

Stress turns to distress and distress to serious illness — if a perceived crisis is not handled with "experience and reality orientation" says the director of a health care agency in Toronto.

"Recently, I was called in for a consultation and assessment of a man who requires some nursing care," says Valerie Cormier, the founder and director of Aviva Health Care Services Ltd., (Aviva is her Hebrew name).

When Cormier completed her examination and assessment, she noticed that his wife displayed some suspicious signs and Cormier suggested that she take his wife's blood pressure which turned out to be abnormally high.

"His wife had to be hospitalized because the stress and pressure she had been living with during his illness, had affected her health. We arranged for a nurse's aide to help the ailing gentleman until his wife returned home."

This is one of the numerous cases that Cormier discussed with The CJN, emphasizing that the Aviva agency (226-4633) has an attitude and commitment to health care which not only includes caring for its clients, but for the family members and the agency's staff as well.

Seven years ago, Cormier, a registered nurse, was working as a public health nurse when she decided to open her own agency.

"I saw so many shortcuts being taken in health care and a disregard for the cultural and religious needs of clients that I decided that my agency would concentrate on these areas emphasizing quality health care."

She carefully began screening applicants and after 167 interviews, she selected 25 front line workers — many are still on her staff.

Today, she has a staff of 355 full and part-time staff including, registered nurses, recent immigrants from Europe, Israel and the Soviet Union who are in the process of receiving their certification — and some physicians who have not "gone through the red tape yet," registered nursing assistants, nurses aides and qualified health care homemakers.

"We take into consideration the staff member's ethnic orientation and experience and carefully team up the caregiver with the client. This helps us avoid unnecessary problems in the future.

"And at our initial assessment, for which there is no charge, we discuss the needs of all the members of the family. Many times we discover that a client may need less care than has been suggested because we recommend other community support services that are available."

With long waiting lists for admission to nursing facilities, more and more people require assistance while they wait for admission, Cormier says. "We are able to make the waiting period less stressful for the client and the family," she adds.

Cormier says that most people are "anxiety ridden" when they face a crisis situation and it becomes extremely important for the staff person to put reality into focus — to outline the options and help make the decision-making process easier.

The majority of Aviva's clients are over 60 years old but the agency also handles everything from newborns, recuperation from surgery, to palliative care. "And we do a lot of inter-faith referrals," she notes.

The company's director, now in her late 30s, is proud that Aviva Health Care Services is a small, all-Canadian, privately owned agency and not an impersonal conglomerate.

"We offer personalized service and since more than half of our clients are Jewish, we train our staff, Jewish and non-Jewish, to be knowledgeable about halacha and Jewish lifestyles."

Along with a knowledge of kashruth, she says her agency takes into consideration the needs of observant Jews who, as an example, may not want a Jewish worker on the Sabbath.

"Nursing care is far more than merely sending out the first available staff person. It requires matching the skills and personalities of the staff to the client, a concern for continuity, and above all as our agency's credo says, we care."

And Cormier is quick to point out that there are periodical follow-up assessments and case supervision to ensure optimum health care. "And our nursing coordinators are available 24 hours a day, seven days a week, including holidays."

With pride, Cormier says that most of the agency's new clients come from referrals from clients and family members as well as physicians, public health nurses and discharge coordinators at hospitals and nursing homes.

"Whether we provide services in a private home, an acute or chronic care hospital, a retirement home or nursing home, or in private industry where a registered nurse is required when there are more than 200 employees, we always stress the team approach."

She adds that her agency works very closely with community health and social services such as Coordinated Services to the Jewish Elderly and the Jewish Family & Child Services.

Rates are competitive, says Cormier. An experienced and trained home care assistant, bonded and insured, who can do anything from meal planning, supervising the dispensing of medicine, to taking a client to the doctor, costs $8.60 an hour. This can be tax deductible and quite often clients are covered by extended health care plans.

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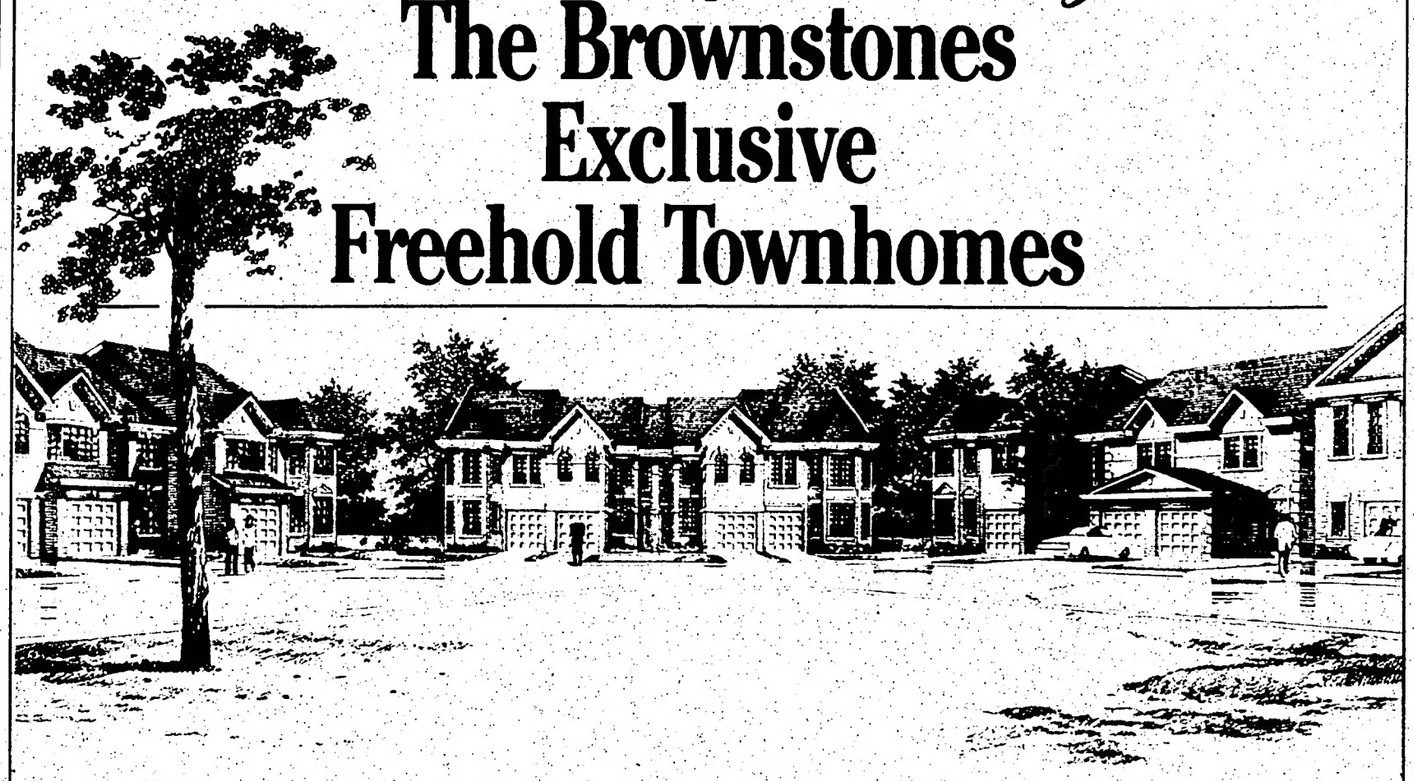

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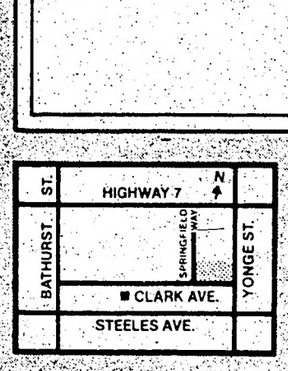

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